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Shanghai had a mild taste of Hankow's plight last week when the Whangpo over-
flowed its banks covering the Settlement with two or three feet of water in some places.
Our photos show the intersection of Carter and Avenue Roads after the water had com-
menced to subside, and a downtown section of the Settlement.

MUNICIPAL ISSUE DISCUSSED.

INTERESTING TALK AT ROTARY CLUB.

TRANSITION STAGE.

Municipal Socialism generally
and its application to Hongkong
in particular were discussed at
yesterday's meeting of the Rotary
Club, which was held in Messrs.
Lane Crawford's restaurant, under
the chairmanship of the Hon. Mr.
S. W. T'sao.

An extremely interesting
address was delivered by Mr. L.
C. F. Bellamy, who referred to the
possibilities of a Municipal
Council for Kowloon.

The Chairman read the following
telegram which had been received
from the Tientsin Rotary Club:—
"Tientsin Rotary Club cabled
Chinese view of Hongkong floods
earnestly urge headquarters re-
commend Rotarians support all re-
putable relief efforts. Urge similar
action your Club."

Mr. T'sao continued:—Your Direc-
tors had a discussion on this tele-
gram just before 10 p.m. and they
decided to recommend you to take
joint action with the Tientsin
Rotary Club by sending a telegram
to Headquarters in support of the
Tientsin Club's action. I hope it
will meet with your approval.

Those present having signified
their approval, the Chairman con-
tinued:—We also considered the
action our members could best take.
I may say that the local Tung Wah
Hospital is taking action and is
about to make an appeal to all
sections of the community for sub-
scriptions. Your Directors con-
sider the best thing is for all
Rotarians, individually, to do their
best to subscribe and in order to
get central action in the matter,
you are requested to send your
cheques to the Tung Wah Hospital.
At present the Tung Wah Hospital
is making enquiries from Hankow
and I understand that a Hospital
in Hankow is doing relief work.
They have also communicated with
the Chamber of Commerce at Han-
kow and I think they are doing
organising work in order to give
immediate relief to sufferers.

Members agreed to this course of
action.
The Chairman then welcomed two
visitors, the Attorney General
(Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster K.C.)
and Mr. James Walker, of the
Chartered Bank.

In introducing the speaker, the
Chairman said Mr. Bellamy was re-
cently secretary of the Hongkong
Rotary Club and they were indebted
to him for all the work he had done
for them. He had been an official
in many municipalities, small,
medium and large. The last place
where he was employed as an
official was at Liverpool, of which
place his late father was the man-
ager of the Tramway Company.

Mr. Bellamy's Address.
Mr. Bellamy said:—In a leading
article on June 12 last the *South
China Morning Post* dealt with
"Municipal Amenities." The con-
cluding paragraph was as follows:

"A former Governor of
Hongkong described himself
also the Mayor, and the
Government as the Muni-
cipality: but if that is so we
must request that the Govern-
ment perform fully a Muni-
cipality's functions."

In a leading article on June 22,
the *Hongkong Daily Press* said,
inter alia.

"Kowloon must be the largest
town in the world without any
semblance of the usual ma-
chine of urban government."

Both the leading articles referred
to were in connexion with the lack
of public bathing facilities in the
Colony and the proposal to provide
open air bathing pools to be filled
from the sea. The *Daily Press*
article commences:

"There are occasions when
many of us wish that Kowloon
had its own municipality, with
power to go ahead with public
works, that its inhabitants
want and are willing to pay for
within reason."

The article expresses the opinion
that it is a foregone conclusion

that no bathing pools will be pro-
vided but that any

"self-governing town of Kow-
loon's eyes—if it wanted bath-
ing pools—would float a loan
and get on with the work."

Newspaper "Texts."
When I was asked to read a
paper before this club I decided to
take these newspaper articles as
my text. I have a further title
to address you on the subject I
have chosen for the reason that I
have spent about 12 years in Muni-
cipal service. As a chief official
for the majority of that period I
saw a lot from the inside, of what
I will call the political working of
the Municipal machine, and it is
upon that feature I want chiefly
to speak.

It is said that the Marquis of
Kipon—when Secretary of State for
the Colonies—was in favour of
Hongkong having a Municipal
Council but that his successor in
office—Mr. Joseph Chamberlain—
would not hear of it, and we were
told in the jubilee number of the
Hongkong Telegraph that the then
Governor, Sir William Robinson, re-
ceived from Mr. Chamberlain a
"rap over the knuckles" because he
had sought popular opinion by
means of a plebiscite as to whether
there should or should not be an
Unofficial majority on the Sanitary
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of Hongkong have probably come to
the conclusion that a Municipal
Council for Island matters is quite
unnecessary. There are, however,
many who consider that a re-
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would be a good thing, and would
be a great help to the Government
by relieving it of certain domestic
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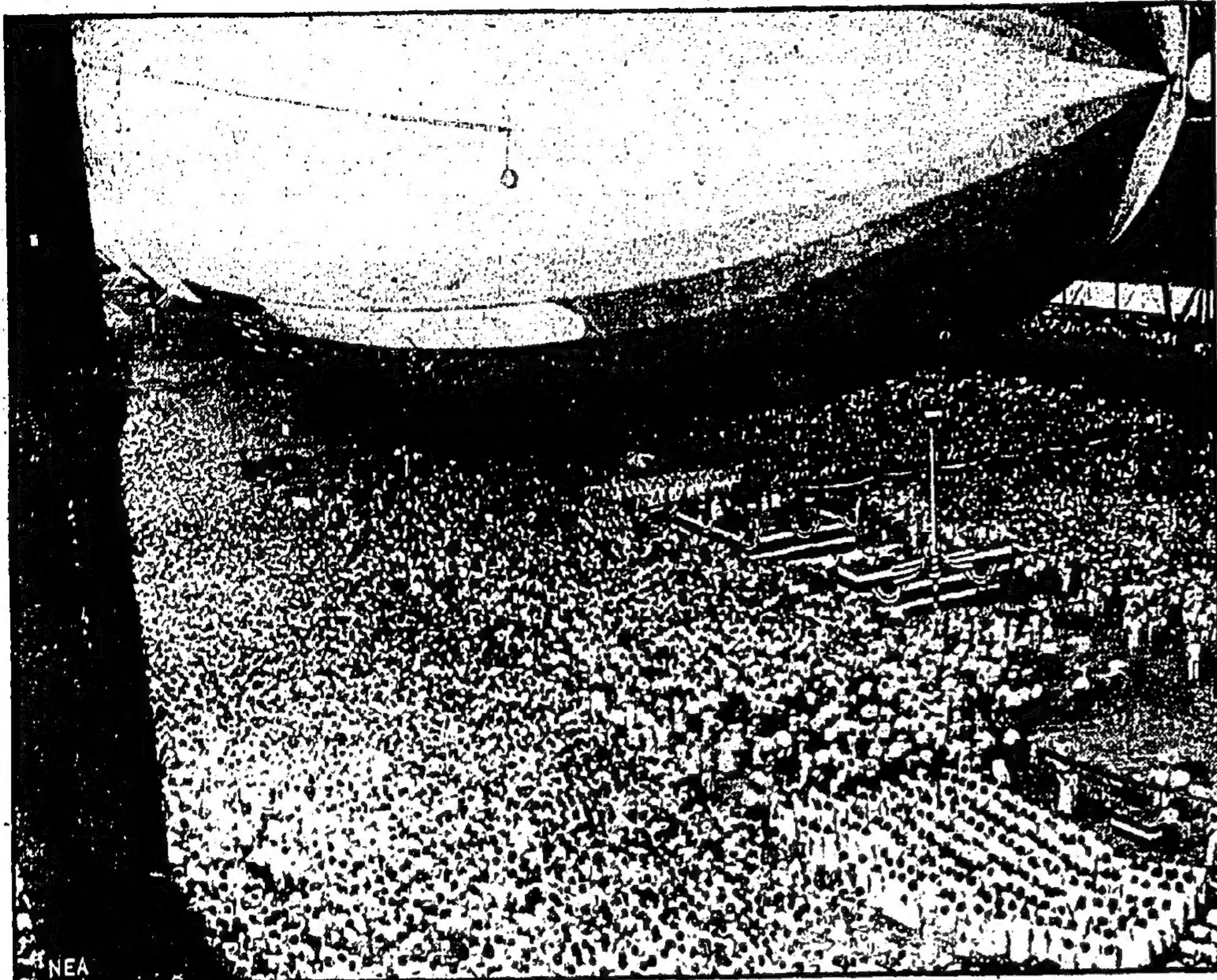
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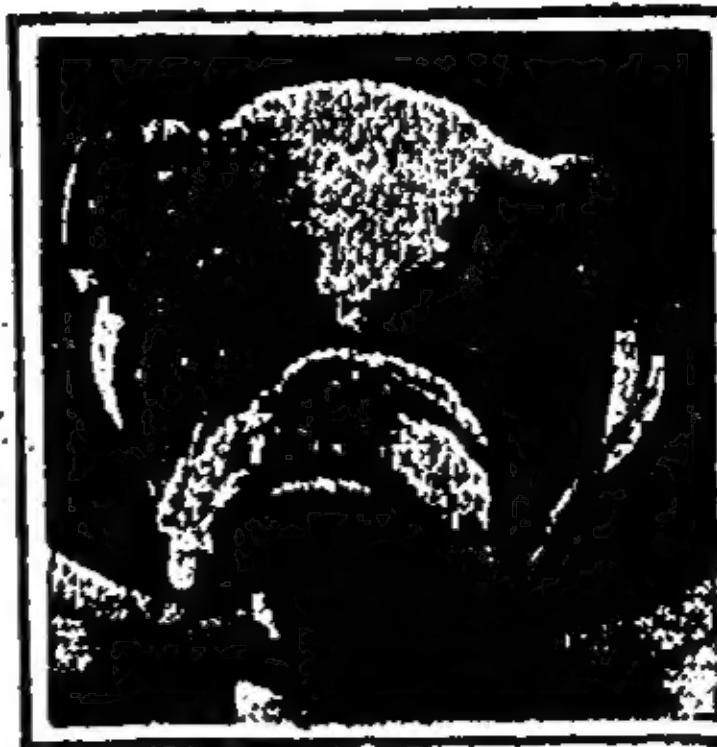


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Heart of Liane
by MABEL McELLIOTT

CHAPTER XIX

Liane stood outside the door for a moment, catching her breath. She clenched and unclenched her small hands. "I hate her," she said to herself. "Oh, I hate her!"

She had said no to Elv's proposal that they announce their engagement before the arrival of Miss Lord and her sister. Now she wished she hadn't. That would have given her at least a sort of standing. It would have been a protection against snubs.

She went into her mother's room now and shut the door softly behind her. One was sleeping. The shadows under her eyes had almost disappeared. Liane had a sudden wild desire to snatch her up, to dash back to the shabby little flat in West 68th street where they had been so poverty-stricken and oftentimes so happy. But she knew that she couldn't do that. No, she must go through with this posthumous agreement. She had given her word and she must keep it.

"Who does that Liane girl look like?" Fanny Amberton was saying as she brushed her short black hair and pressed the wave in with skillful fingers.

"Don't know," Tressa answered shortly. "Like no one I know. Why?"

"It's rather perplexing," mused her sister, wriggling into a black net frock. "I could swear I've talked to her—known her before. But of course it's nonsense. She's little more than a child."

"Nineteen," Tressa said and laughed shortly. "A highly improbable age!"

"My dear," murmured Fanny Amberton significantly, "do you realize Elv will be 25 soon after the first of the year?"

"I do." There was something unpleasant about Tressa's brief laugh.

Fanny made up her lips meticulously. "He'll have—well, millions!" she said.

Tressa stood in the doorway of the bath which connected the two rooms the sisters occupied. She wrapped a citron coloured negligee, sheer and tight and dripping cream-coloured lace, tightly around her. Her silver blonde hair, adroitly shingled, glistened against the background of raspberry tiles.

Fanny exclaimed artlessly, "My dear you're like something in the coloured advertising pages."

Tressa glanced at herself in the long mirror of the door. "This rug is rather good," she observed. "Her long-lashed green eyes had the sleepy look of the well fed cat. She laughed again. "Must get some others like it for my trousseau."

Fanny looked arch. "My dear, I hope it won't be long now."

Tressa's smile was confident. "Don't worry, old thing. I'll surely pull it off this time." She dabbed the stopper of the Chanel bottle against her pink-lobed ears.

"I'll get in some good work to-night," she said. "Why ever doesn't Eva have a properly trained French maid to turn over to us? I wouldn't dare ask one of those coltish to hook me up. They'd be sure to tangle their big fingers in the lace and rip it to bits."

"I'm simply no good at it either," Fanny Amberton announced flatly. "Call that girl and have her look you up."

A look of pure malice came into Tressa's eye. "You do have an inspiration occasionally, darling. It will be the perfect touch. Unless the young woman turns mulish."

She stood there in a single brief garment of chiffon and hand run lace as Liane answered. The maid stared frankly at the beautiful figure in the chemise. "Send Miss Barrett to me, that's a good girl," Tressa said lightly. "At once. It's rather important."

When Liane arrived Tressa had slipped the exquisite beige lace frock over her head and stood eyeing its artful simplicity, the manner in which it prisoned her curves and flowed away into lines of sheer innocence.

"Oh, Miss Barrett, do hook me up, won't you?" Tressa asked in a drawing voice.

"Certainly." With dignity Liane managed the intricate fastenings. She stood up. "Is that all?"

Liane's face was like a white mask. Her manner was chill, impersonal. "Thanks so much. No lady's maid could have done better."

Their glances met, clashed.

"You're quite welcome," Liane met the insolence with studied unconcern. But as she left the room her heart was hammering with anger. It was to be war then. War to the teeth!

Liane stood like a trapped young thing in one corner of the library. Van Robard faced her, grim in his black and white, his splendid head arrogantly lifted.

"You've got to hear me out," he was saying doggedly.

Liane stammered. "The others are coming. Miss Lord—Muriel—they'll be in any minute. They mustn't find us." She cast a despairing glance around.

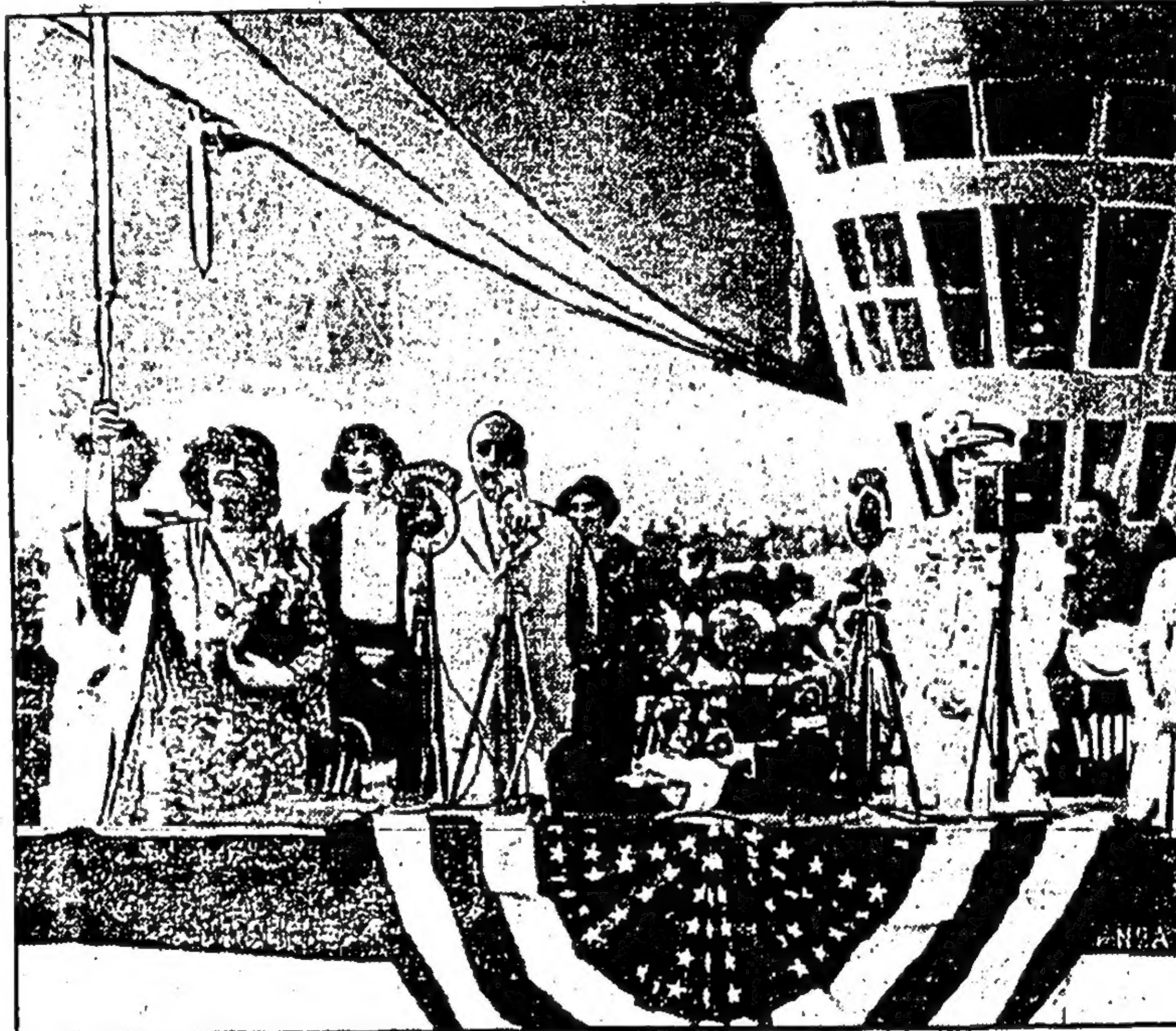
He said, coldly resolute. "They're playing ping pong in the game room. Mrs. Amberton is at backgammon with my aunt. You've got to stay. I've been trying for months to explain. That's why I came to-night."

The young girl drew herself up proudly. "There's nothing to explain."

"Oh, my sweet—" Was there a break in his deep voice? Liane steeled herself against it, against the charm this man held for her. Across the hall the radio was wailing mournfully:

"What is—this—thing—called—love?"

"This—funny—thing called love?" The girl ground her nails into her palms. She repeated, "There's nothing you need to explain, is there?" She even smiled.



A close-up of the stand before the "Akron" when Mrs. Hoover christened the giant ship. Left to right are: Mrs. Hoover, pulling a cord to release a flock of pigeons from a coop above, signifying the christening; Mrs. Frederick Butler, secretary to Mrs. Hoover; P. W. Litchfield, president Goodyear, and Rear Admiral William A. Moffett.

The man in the perfectly fitting dinner coat folded his arms grimly, staring at her.

"There is," he said. "And well you know it."

Liane sat down suddenly, meekly. She passed a shaking hand before her eyes. "Go on, then, and do be quick about it," she said faintly.

"You knew," Van Robard said softly, "that I was mad about you last summer. It was like a fever. I hit me—hard. Like nothing else I've known. You knew that?"

Liane nodded. Pride and reserve were swept away. She forgot this man was betrothed to another girl, forgot everything except the burning fact that they had five moments alone together and that they loved each other.

"Well—" Robard struck one clenched fist into his open palm. "Well, that was that. I meant to, wanted to tell you. Then—well, I got tangled up in this hideous mess. Muriel ran off with that accursed fellow, Blue. You know. His wife turned nasty, threatened to sue and name her as co-respondent. Adele nearly went frantic. I happened to be in Atlantic City that night. She wired me, asking me to stand by. She flew down and made a fearful row. Got me to say I would tell Mrs. Blue it was I did and that dreadful woman professed to be satisfied. But she said unless our engagement was announced before the week was out she'd carry out her original threat. I was the goat," he finished bitterly.

Liane felt quite ill.

"You—you were under obligations to Mrs. Ladd?" she asked, her throat constricting as she formed the words.

"Oh, you've heard that gossip? Liane, sweet, you mustn't believe all you hear of me. Indeed, you must not! People have filthy minds and filthy tongues, too."

She looked up at him. She wanted with all her heart to believe him.

"It's all so confused," she murmured, uncertainly. "I hardly know what to think, what to believe. Anyway, the fact remains you're bound. Muriel is seeing to that. Only the other day she asked me to be one of her bridesmaids—"

The man's face twisted in a sneer. "She asked you that? She knows I'm mad about you and was turning the knife."

"She does mean to hold you to it, then?" Liane asked.

He threw out his fine, well-shaped hands in a gesture of despair. "You know how she is. Flows hot one day, cold the next."

"Well, it can't make any difference now, anyhow," Liane said dully. "Because—I've promised to marry another man."

He stared. "You! Sweet, you haven't!"

Liane twisted her fingers. "Yes, I have. It's done."

"You don't want to tell me who it is?"

"Not now. I can't. It's a secret."

He flung himself about. "Ah, I was mistaken, then. I thought you cared, thought I'd seen something real in your eyes. I was wrong. Forgive me. I've been wasting your time."

He bowed low. Liane started to speak, started to fling out her hand. The moment was shattered. Tressa Lord, trailing her lacey draperies, entered the room.

"Ah, a tele-a-tote! So sorry," her laugh was brittle.

"Not at all," Van's laugh was ugly. "Miss Barrett was just sending me about my business and rightly, too. You arrived in the nick of time."

Tressa gave Liane a sharp glance of inquiry. "At your old, tricks, Van?" she said, letting him light the cigarette she had thrust into a jade holder.

His handsome face in the flare of light looked lowering.

"You flatter me, my dear," he said, lightly. "I'm growing old. My technique is out of date. Can't try it with these youngsters."

"Your technique always has been grand, love."

"Charming of you to say so," he drawled.

"Truly, I'll never forget how mad I was about you the summer before the summer before last," said Tressa mockingly. "I thought you were simply swell. Prince Charming. The first time you kissed me."

Van winced with a side glance at Liane who stood white-faced and uncomfortable.

"Now you are flattering me." His voice was low. "You know I never stormed that citadel."

"Ah, my dear, would you fling a lady's memories in her teeth?" Tressa's green eyes alone watched him squirm under her raillery.

Liane, with a low toned exclamation, slipped from the room. She passed Elv on the stairs.

"You're not leaving us so early?" he asked in polite concern.

"I must. I have a fiendish headache."

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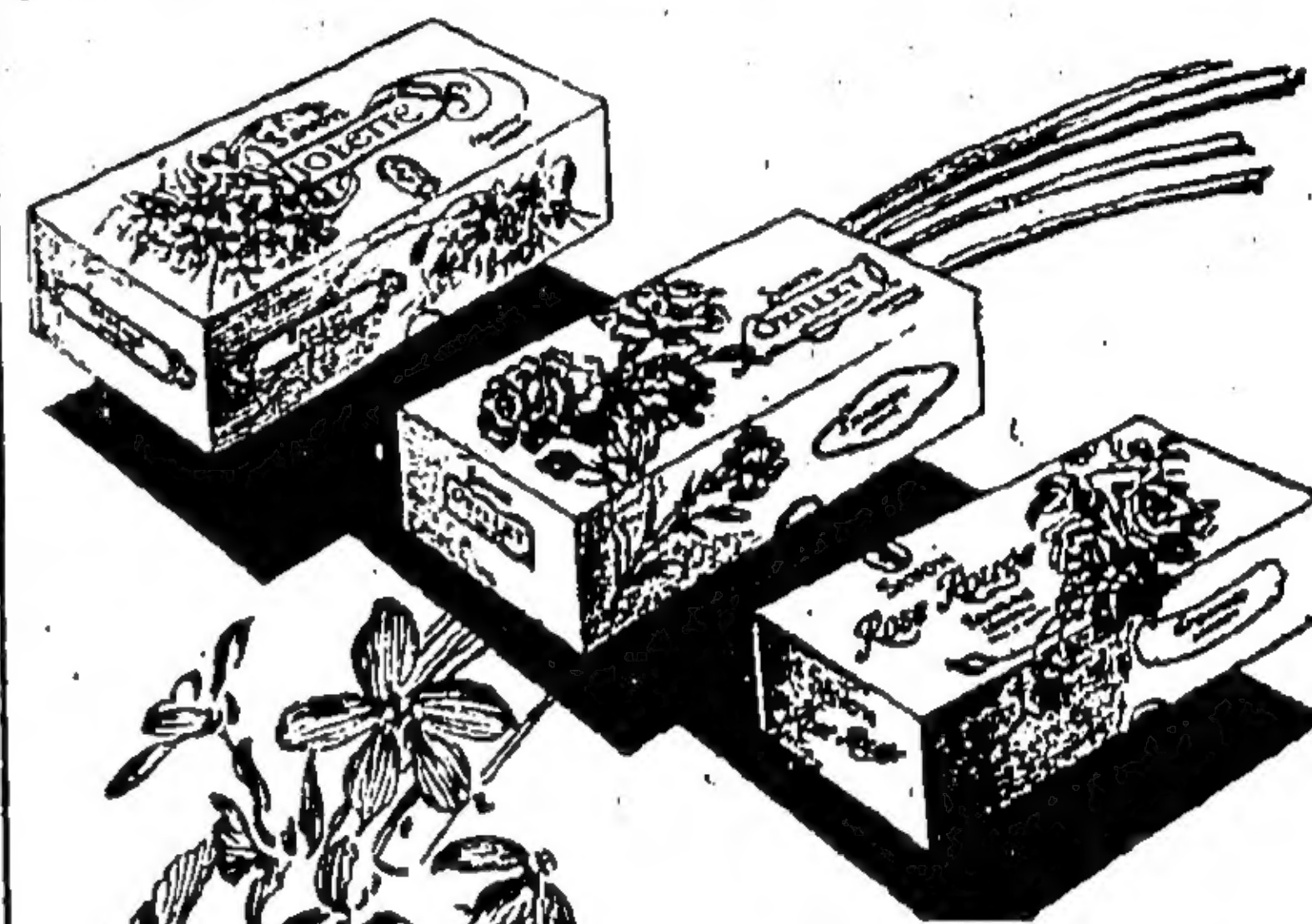
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JAPANESE NAVAL
DISASTER.SEVEN KILLED BY
EXPLOSION.

Tokyo, Sept. 5.
An official report submitted today declared that five were instantly killed and two died later in a hospital as a result of an explosion yesterday morning on board the 15,400-ton special service ship *Noto* of the Japanese Navy.

One was still missing. Two were critically injured, four seriously injured, and 31 slightly injured.

Sub-Lieutenant Fukuda was killed outright and Lieutenant Nishimura died in a hospital. The explosion resulted from a gasoline blast. Three scout planes were damaged and the ship was set afire, although the flames were quelled without great delay.

Many Yokohama residents were awakened by an earthquake-like blast which came from the *Noto* at 5.15 a.m.

The *Noto* proceeded to the Yokosuka yard for repairs.

ARSON ATTEMPT
REPORTED.NEIGHBOUR ACCUSED
BY WIDOW.

A fisherman of Cheung Kwan O village, in the Sai Kung District, has been arrested by the police on a charge of setting fire to the house of a widow who lives next door. The woman is said to have been aroused on Saturday night by the smell of kerosene.

On investigating, she found a lighted candle and small quantity of straw on the step of the inner of two doors of the house. Between the two doors is a faint light and on going out she saw a man climbing through. Little damage was caused, but the following night she was again aroused and on going out she found the door on fire, this time more damage being done.

The woman saw a man whom she recognised as a neighbour climbing through the faint light with a bottle and two instruments in his hand.

A report was made to the police the following day and later the neighbour was arrested. In his house the police found a bottle and two instruments which the woman recognised as having been seen in the man's possession the previous night.

ACID-THROWING
INCIDENT.YOUNG MAN ON A SERIOUS
CHARGE.

An attack on a well-dressed young Chinese woman by an acid-thrower, resulting in the victim being sent to hospital suffering from burns in the face, led to Court proceedings today, when Fung Yee, aged 23, who is alleged to have been the man in question, was charged with carrying out an attack with intent to disgrace or maim the woman.

In charge of the case was Detective Sgt. Rozesky, who said that the woman, Wong So-hung, was still in hospital, and a week's remand was desired. The attack, he said, occurred at Front Row, Tai-hang village, on Monday.

His Worship asked if it was a committed case to which the Sergeant replied that he had yet to receive instructions.

The accused was remanded for a week.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Royal Observatory reports that typhoon has formed to the S. E. of Iriomote. Its direction of motion is unknown. Pressure is low from Cochin-China to the Lower Yangtze Valley.

LABOUR ATTITUDE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

to be affected by the economies, the Prime Minister burst out: "I am going to get a cut of £1,000 annually."

The Prime Minister then paid a warm tribute to the helpfulness and goodwill shown by French and American bankers.

Referring to the cuts which the Government would propose, he said they might be serious, but they would know what they were.

If the pound had been allowed to tumble off gold, if there had been a real panic, the value of money might not merely have sunk slowly, it might have withered to nothing, and war and old age pensions and health and insurance benefits become nearly worthless.

It was too awful to contemplate the consequences for the British people if the complicated system of credit and exchange on which they depended was an important country were thrown into confusion.

Hard Road to Travel.

After insisting that the problem was not at all one due to lack of potential national resources, but one due to lack of immediate confidence, the Prime Minister appealed to all classes to go cheerfully with the Government over the hard and broken road along which national security, honour and well-being were to be found.

The burden that we shall ask each individual to bear in relation to the national sacrifice will not be an inequitable one. Already His Majesty has led his people by his Royal example announced this morning.

The widowed has offered her mite. The unemployed themselves have written claiming the privilege of sharing the burdens which are going to contribute to the financial stability of the nation.

Proud to Help.

"Our people will be proud to help and will be jealous to see the fruit of their sacrifices in a restored national credit."

"I ask the House of Commons to uphold the Government's hands in its work."

"Will it be long? Will it be short? I know not. One definite thing I can say is that our duty is to remain here. It is God's duty to keep us until the crisis is past, until the world is convinced once again that sterling is unassailable and until the wages and the incomes of our people are free from danger."

Mr. Henderson's Attitude.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, the Leader of the Opposition, followed.

He said that the two cuts which the opposition could not accept were interference with the efficiency of the social services and the lowering of the standards of life by cuts in the unemployment benefit.

He said that the whole of the late Cabinet provisionally accepted economies amounting to £56,000,000 per annum.

Tribute to Premier.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, who paid a warm tribute to the Prime Minister's "uncommon courage," declared that when the crisis arose and finally became a matter of hours, nobody had the right to refuse help, however disagreeable and impossible the task.

The Conservatives, therefore, had no alternative but to promise the Premier such help as they could and until the Government's task was accomplished, the whole of their strength would be behind the Premier in the very difficult task before them in the next three or four weeks.

Peril of Opposition.

Mr. Baldwin reminded the Opposition of their responsibility. If their attitude led other nations to believe that a large section of Britain did not realise the gravity of the position, or was reluctant to face the difficulties, the breaking of Britain's international credit would be an unparalleled disaster, affecting not only Britain but the whole of humanity.

The motion of confidence in the Government was carried by 369 votes to 250. — *Reuter and British Wireless.*

LOCAL FOOTBALL
DILEMMA.NO REMUNERATION
FOR "PROS."

An echo of the sensation created in local football circles last year, when certain players were suspended for alleged professionalism and subsequently reinstated, marked the proceedings at a meeting of the Council of the Hongkong Football Association held last evening, when a letter from Sir Frederick Wall was laid before the Council for consideration.

The net result of the discussion and the resolution passed points to the possible introduction into local football of professional players, playing without remuneration.

Mr. J. Ormiston, who presided, said that personally, and also in the opinion of their President (Mr. R. M. Dyer), he thought they should let the matter drop. He did not think any good could come of further correspondence.

Sir Fredk. Wall seemed rather upset about the letter the Association wrote, and after all, Hongkong was only a small community, while there were more than 40,000 amateur clubs at home affiliated with the Football Association. He would prefer to let the matter drop, so that the players could carry on.

Mr. Stokes asked if the players were really reinstated, and the Chairman replied in the affirmative.

Give Committee Guidance.

The Chairman said they could make a rule, or leave it in the hands of the Emergency Committee to make a rule. But he did not think they should continue with the correspondence, and he proposed that the matter be dropped, and that the Emergency Committee be asked to formulate a rule applicable to the position, for presentation to the Council in due course.

Mr. F. Clements seconded. Mr. R. K. Duncan said they were going to do that, he thought the Council should give the Emergency Committee some guidance as to what they really wanted. The Chairman had said that it was the opinion of Mr. Dyer that the matter should be dropped.

Mr. Ormiston interposed and pointed out that he referred to the correspondence.

Two Alternatives.

Mr. Duncan pointed out that they would have to reply to Sir Fredk. Wall's letter, and there were only two things open for them to do. One was to leave the rules just as they were now, and take the chance of meeting with the same trouble again; or they must fall in line with the last paragraph of Sir Fredk. Wall's letter, and make a new rule. That new rule would allow professional players to play as professionals in amateur competitions without remuneration. He thought that such a course was putting too much on the shoulders of the Emergency Committee, because it had power to make rules and deal with other business which had to be accepted by the Council without that business coming before the Council. He thought it would be wise if the Council gave some idea to the Emergency Committee as to how they would like the committee to act.

The Chairman said so far as he was concerned, he thought they should act upon Sir Fredk. Wall's suggestion.

Follow the F. A.

Mr. Duncan then addressed the meeting in the following terms: Judging from the letter of 8th June from The Football Association it would appear that the governing body are not in favour of this association making a new rule to re-instate as amateurs players who have been found to have forfeited their amateur status, and without their sanction I submit we are powerless to make such a rule (See rules 4 and 15 of The Football Association).

The last paragraph of the letter is a suggestion to us to introduce into our rules a rule similar to F.A. rule 32.

The position as it now appears to me is, that we must fall in line with the Football Association, and in the future any player found to have forfeited his amateur status can only again take part in the game here in Hongkong as a professional without remuneration, as in F.A. rule 32.

Must Alter Rules.

To make this possible it will be necessary to alter our rules, and if it is the opinion of Council that this should be done I would suggest that the Emergency Committee be asked to go into the matter and make what alterations and additions they consider necessary.

After this has been done and the proposed alterations and additions have been laid before Council I would

JAPAN INDIGNANT AT
CHINA.A THREAT OF ARMED
ACTION.

Tokyo, Sept. 8.

Indignation is increasing daily against China in connexion with the alleged murder of Captain Nakamura in Manchuria recently and because of other issues, of which over three hundred are reported to be awaiting settlement. It is believed that a crisis is imminent unless an unexpected development averts it.

While many censure the military men's advocacy of a strong policy towards China, nevertheless they consider Baron Shidehara's policy of patience and conciliation is proving untenable.

This morning, after discussing what is described as China's failure to give satisfaction in the Nakamura case, the Cabinet decided to await the result of a second investigation at Mukden into the circumstances of Capt. Nakamura's death, but passed a resolution that "the military and diplomatic authorities should act in concert regarding what action they should take if China fails to show sincerity in conducting the investigations promptly." — *Reuter.*

OBITUARY.

WELL-KNOWN BRITISH
BOHEMIAN.

London, Sept. 8.

Mr. James Mackey ("Jimmy") Glover, one of the best-known Bohemian figures of his generation, has died at Hastings. — *Reuter.*

(Mr. James Mackey, who later added his mother's name of Glover, was born at Kingsdown, Ireland, in 1861, and was educated in Dublin and in France, taking up music. He became Director of Music, Drury Lane Theatre, afterwards managing the Theatre Royal at Plymouth and was musical critic for a number of years of several London newspapers. He also edited the *Concert World* and *Theatrical Managers' Journal*. He was Mayor of Bechill-on-Sea in 1897. His publications included several books of reminiscences.)

suggest that a copy of the new rules be sent to The Football Association for approval, and on their acceptance the altered rules could be submitted to the next annual meeting of the Hongkong Football Association.

This suggestion was put to the meeting and agreed upon.

General.

A letter was read from the Chinese Athletic Association stating that they had come to terms with the Hongkong Football Club for the use of the Club ground for all league matches this season, and the conditions agreed upon were: (1) After all expenses had been paid, the profits to be divided equally between the two clubs. (2) Members of the Chinese Athletic Association to be admitted to the covered and uncovered stands at half price upon presentation of membership cards.

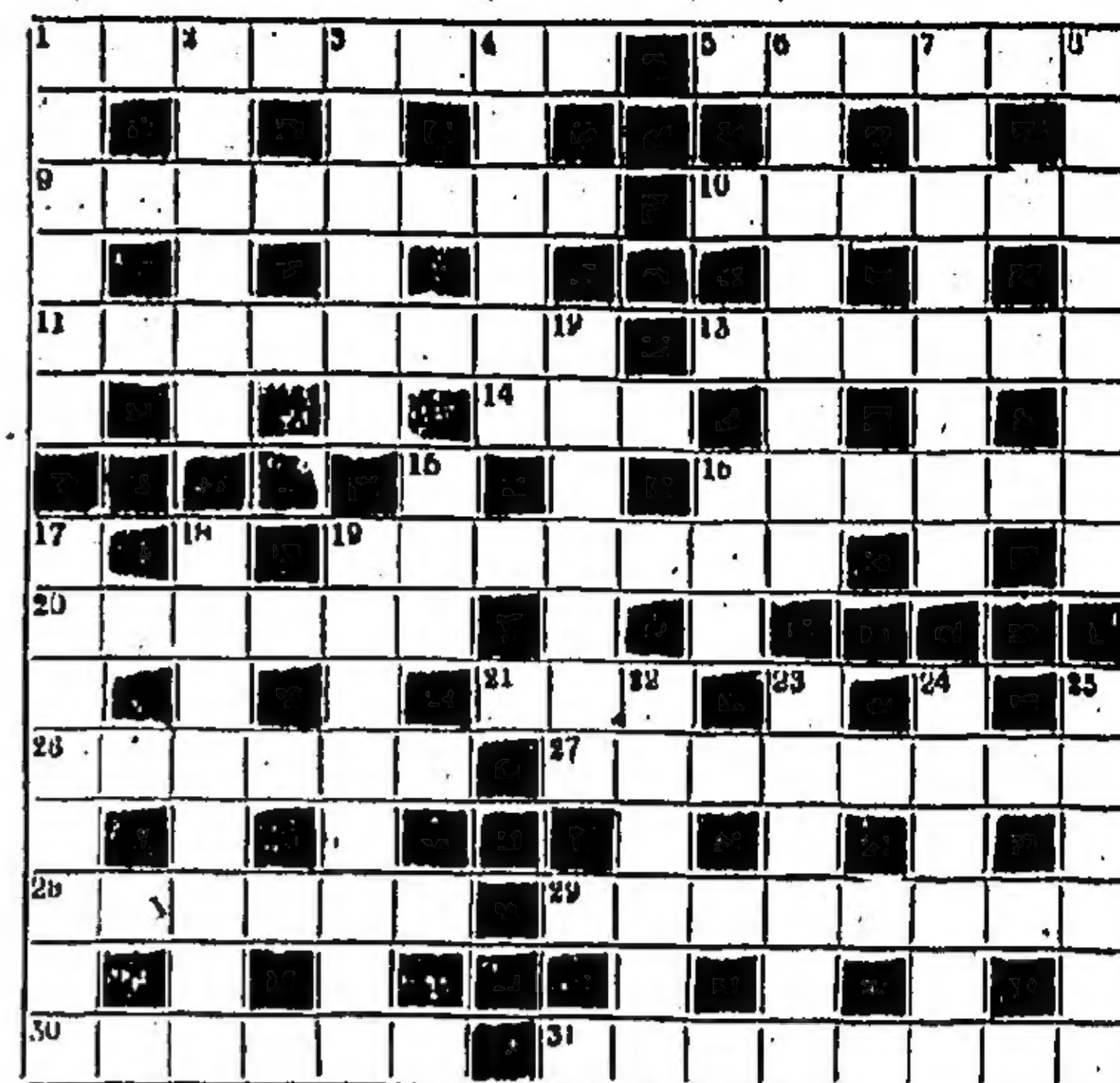
The Athletic desired the agreement of these conditions by the Association as applied to the Association's stand on the Club ground.

After some discussion, these conditions were not accepted by the Association as applying to the use of the Association's stand, but a counter proposal of a charge of 40 cents to be made to all members of the Chinese Athletic Association to the Football Association's stand, providing presentation of membership cards were made, and on the understanding that the maximum charge was 60 cents.

A letter was received from the Kowloon Football Club stating the club was unable to place a spectators' stand at the disposal of the Football Association.

The Chairman said it was rather unfortunate for the K.F.C., as, if they did not provide facilities, they could not expect to receive allocation of special matches.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



- Across
- "Prom." audiences have no objection to stand around for a modern composer.
 - A ceremony calculated to keep a fast man under some restraint.
 - Expectant mourners apparently containing one who hadn't gout in at least one limb.
 - We are not all descended from them, which perhaps explains why we are thought a straight race.
 - Had recourse.
 - Sometimes responsible for a skid.
 - First in rank.
 - Book.
 - Fairly describes these seven spaces.
 - Easily develops into a linear—the roque.
 - A regular apparition.
 - Parent behind time in your mouth.
 - Objection.
 - The other side of Singapore—and any auctioneer might this side of it.
 - Support, though in the main it vulgarly is not.
 - Loathe.
 - With keen judgment.
- Down
- What a draughtsman likes drawing best.
 - Last month, an emperor before us.
 - Tense.
 - A kind of garment.
 - Hampshire town.

Yesterday's Solution

8 NODGRASS IN RICH
9 CUCUMBER
10 BUTTERED TOAST
11 GUTTED CARRIER
12 PATENT LOCK
13 DOYLE NETTLE
14 COLD DART
15 HOLLAND ENDORSER
16 ALEA PROCLAMATION
17 LEAVEN ANGLE
18 PLACES RENNIE
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20 NERVOUS ANNOUCE
21 GLOWED GURGO
22 EGG TENEMENTS

Yesterday's Solution

A FAT CAT SAT AT
A CATARACT.
By inserting the letter A nine times in the letters FICSTICRGT, and then dividing the complete line of letters into seven words you can make the sentence shown above.

obtained at the latter rate. The new shares were in demand at \$3.15, after sales at \$3.20.

Hotels (old), after sales being reported at \$17.20, had buyers at \$17, but sellers were asking \$17.50. The new shares were in demand at \$16.15.

Lands were wanted at \$91.4, but no shares appeared at this rate.

Humphreys (new) changed hands at \$22.4.

Ewos were in request at the improved rate of \$15.30.

Trams were dealt in at \$22.60 and \$22.85, and at the close there were buyers at \$22.70.

Star Ferries were in demand at \$95.

China Lights were reported done at \$20, \$30 and \$30.4, and at the close there were buyers offering \$29.50.

Electricity were in demand at \$84.

Telephones (part paid) were done at \$35.5 and \$36, and at the end there were further buyers at the former rate.

Ropes changed hands at \$22.20.

Cements (combined) were \$20.40 nominal.

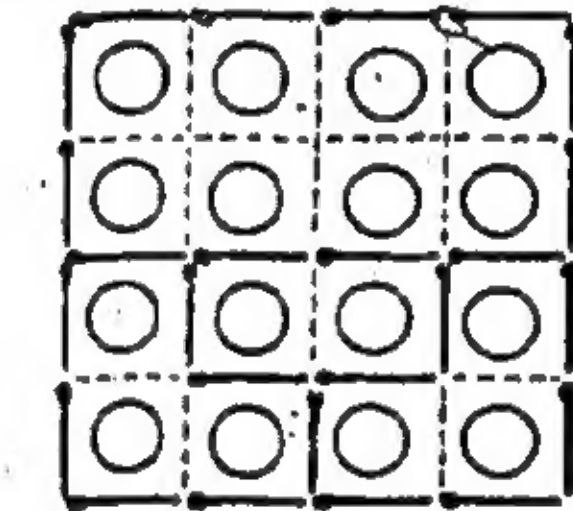
Dairy Farms were wanted at \$33.4.

Lane, Crawfords (old) were in demand at \$8.20, after sales at \$8.4, and there were buyers for the new shares at \$8.

Government Loan could have been obtained at 85% Premium.

The remainder of the stocks in the list calls for little comment.

STICKLEERS



Use matches and coins to make the above diagram. The coins and the 16 matches on the outside are not to be moved. The way the inside matches are placed, they form four groups of coins—8, 3, 3 and 2. See if you can replace two matches so as to form groups of 6, 6 and 4 coins. The two replaced must be on the dotted lines.

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Unions were in request at \$567.4 without leading to business.

Underwriters are \$5.15 nominal.

Steamboats and Waterbombs are both in demand at \$28.3, but there are no transactions to report.

Wharves were again in demand at \$165.5.

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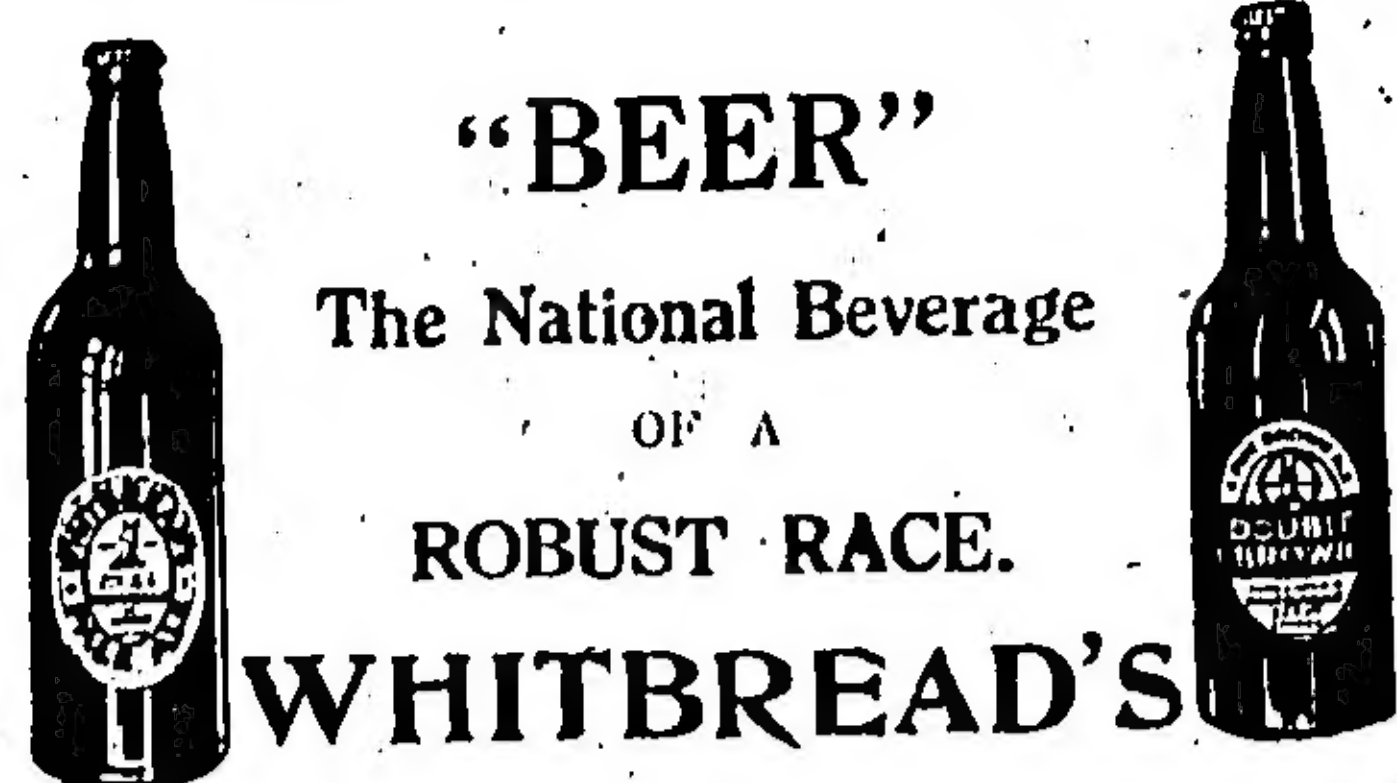
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1931.

THE KING AND THE CRISIS.

Two points stand out prominently in connexion with the King's decision to surrender more than ten per cent. of his income whilst the present crisis lasts. First and foremost, His Majesty displays his anxiety to share in the sacrifices which all classes are being called upon to make; secondly, he again illustrates his aptitude for doing the right thing at the right moment. On the eve of the reassembly of Parliament, when measures will be announced touching all sections of the community, the King voluntarily comes forward with a generous offer to save the State a matter of a round thousand pounds per week. This has only been possible by very rigid economy, and it is the second occasion on which, at a time of national crisis, His Majesty has demonstrated his desire to bear his part in the reduction of the country's expenditure. The same spirit is being manifested by other members of the Royal Family. It is action such as this which clearly shows that the Royal House is deeply concerned with the welfare of the country, and which explains in part the lasting attachment of the people to the Throne.

His Majesty's gesture comes, as we say, at a most appropriate moment. Yesterday, Parliament met for its emergency session. It has been called by reason of a very real crisis which is none of Britain's doing, but which has arisen through causes over which it had no control. Happily, however, as the Prime Minister so appositely remarks, the House of Commons is meeting, not to deal with a financial collapse, but to deal with proposals to avert that grim possibility and to bring the country back on to an even keel. The flight of gold from London to Paris has been a great factor in the situation, and in plans for its redistribution Britain has had perforce to seek aid from France and the United States. More than Britain's future is involved, however, for, as one of the most able French economists has stated, defence of the pound sterling must be organised—in order to save the whole European monetary situation. He added that few countries to-day possess sufficient credit to be able to borrow on long term, but Britain

unquestionably does, and would find lenders ready to trust her for years. It is hoped, however, that short-term loans will suffice to adjust the situation. In any event, to quote the words of a prominent American, "Britain, as a risk is no risk at all; everybody knows that Britain, under any Government, is going to be stable." There is, therefore, no occasion for panic. The situation admittedly calls for sacrifice, but that sacrifice will be willingly made by all sections, from the highest to the lowliest.

To-day, the reins of State are held by a new Government, a Government of "all the talents," in which the best brains of the three political parties are co-operating for the common weal. This rapid change in the situation once again illustrates Britain's adaptability in the face of a national crisis. Unfortunately, the majority of the Labour Party feels indisposed to support the new Administration, thereby displaying a somewhat regrettable shortsightedness and giving an impression to the outside world that Britain is not united in grappling with the problem which has arisen. The narrow, Party spirit has obstructed itself, but we have an impression that when the full extent of the Government's proposals are disclosed, based on the principle of equal sacrifices by all, there will be less inclination to run contrary to the measures which have been devised after a closest scrutiny of all the possibilities. In any event, the determination of the new Government to set things right will assuredly win the approval of the bulk of the people of the nation. The call for sacrifices has been made. It will be responded to in true British fashion.

Edison's Genius.

Few men have lived vitally to affect the lives of the rest of mankind so profoundly as has Thomas A. Edison. The famous inventor, who recently startled his medical advisers by getting up from a sick-bed when they thought him to be dying, will leave the world a vastly different place from the world he entered 85 years ago. Carlyle's remark that the history of the world is simply the story of the lives of the world's greatest men seems peculiarly apt in Edison's case. Every inhabitant of a civilized nation lives under conditions utterly unlike what they would have been if Edison had never lived, and the changes he has caused are permanent things which will affect the lives of people a thousand years from now as profoundly as they do to-day. It is the fashion among highbrows to remark that Edison is never a true "scientist." He has never spun theories or followed earnestly after truth; from start to finish he has been an inventor, the apotheosis of the men who devise handy little gadgets to have time and labour. But what an inventor! The world that Edison entered 85 years ago had no electric lights, it had no radio, it had no moving pictures, it had no gramophones; it had not learned how to use electricity properly, and that giant force which will some day perform all of the world's drudgery was a useless and mysterious giant. And to-day? From dawn to dusk we live according to Edison. The tramcar or the motorcar which takes you to office, the electric appliance which toasts your bread or boils your coffee, the illumination by which you work and read, the entertainment you get in the cinema, the music that comes over the air to you at night—Edison has had his hand in all of these things; if he had not lived you would not have them at all, or you would have them in a far less perfect form. Scientist or inventor—who cares? He has made life more comfortable and pleasant for millions on millions of people. Mankind has seldom been any more deeply in any one man's debt.

SILVER FUTURES.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. Pountney and Co. have been advised by cable of the following quotations for New York silver futures as at the close of the market yesterday:
September 1931 27.50 no change.
December 1931 28.06 down 05.
May 1932 28.25 up 20.
July 1932 28.46.

DAY BY DAY

WHOSO LOVES LAW DIES EITHER MAD OR POOR.—*Thomas Middleton.*

The P. and O. s.s. Cathay, from Shanghai, is due here at 7 a.m. on Friday.

The P. and O. s.s. Mantua, from Singapore, is due here at noon on Thursday.

The P. and O. s.s. Khyber from Hongkong arrived at London on 7th September at 3 a.m.

Cheung Ngan, aged 27, a married woman, was removed from her home at 324, Hennessy Road to hospital yesterday, subsequent to drinking opium water in an attempt to commit suicide.

The loss of a gold cigarette case during the 7.15 p.m. performance at the Star Theatre yesterday has been reported by Mrs. H. Pooley, of No. 21, Lyceum Building. The case is valued at \$500.

On the arrival of the Empress of Japan from Manila this morning, a Chinese steamer passenger named Yeung Tsoi, 31 years of age, was sent to the Mental Hospital. He is believed to be insane.

The building presented by Mr. Tang Ching-ong for the use of the School of Chinese Studies at the University will be officially opened by His Excellency the Chancellor of the University at 5 p.m. on Monday, the 28th inst.

Three Chinese boatwomen were each fined \$10 or a week's imprisonment, for having moored their boats ashore between the Sai Kung, Chiu On and Cheung Chau wharves, by the Hon. Comdr. Hole, at the Marine Court this morning.

Venturing too far out on to the sea-wall yesterday, a Chinese woman fell into the water, near the Star Ferry. An Indian constable, P. C. Dula Singh, took her out, and she was afterward found to be none the worse for her experience.

Because she was reprimanded by her elder brother on account of some family affair, a 16-year-old girl, named Chan Sui-hing, living at No. 10, Sze Ma Terrace, yesterday, threw herself over the verandah of the second floor and suffered injuries from which she expired while on her way to hospital.

The Peninsula Hotel advises that their new Soda Fountain is now open to the public for the sale of all American food drinks, tea, coffee, cakes, chocolates and fruits. The new premises, the entrance of which is in Nathan Road, are attractively decorated and finished in terrazzo, are replete with every modern appliance necessary for the production of the best ice cream.

BANISHEE SENT TO PRISON.

DIDN'T KNOW WAS LIFE DEPORTATION.

"I admit having been banished, but I did not know I had been banished for life," said a man named Lin Fook-sing, who was charged before Mr. Fraser, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with returning from banishment. It was mentioned that the defendant was banished from the Colony in 1926 and had served a term of imprisonment in 1922 for armed robbery.

Defendant said he only returned to the Colony to find out whether the rumour was true. His Worship imposed sentence of nine months' hard labour.

Will Lloyd George "Come Back"?

By WINSTON CHURCHILL.

IN our country when an eminent public man is stricken by illness or has to undergo a serious and dangerous operation, a truce is called to the rancour of party warfare.

Political opponents, hostile newspapers, candid friends, lift their criticisms to another plane, and look back upon the past and towards the future with a sense of freedom from the worries and vexations of the day. There is no statesman alive upon whom a calm, broad light may be turned with greater advantage than upon Mr. Lloyd George.

He is sixty-eight years old. We all look forward to his complete recovery; but time assails even the most vigorous constitutions. What

homes of our island against the sharper strokes of Fate? The elaborate scales of progressive taxation under which—carried now to an extreme excess—we impotently writhed the date from the Lloyd George Budget of 1909. The splendid motor roads which lace the British countryside, unrivalled elsewhere either in excellence or cost, are the products of his original Road Fund.

The War Leader.

The safeguarding duties upon which a vast mass of agreement has gathered, which were the first decisive inroads upon the Free Trade system, owe their inception to his Premiership. No hand more than his carried the Irish Settle-



ment which closed in a melancholy but necessary fashion five centuries of conflict. No hand more than his, again for good or ill, shaped the much-abused but firmly based treaties which regulate the uneasy life of Europe.

But it is upon his actions in the crisis of the greatest and most terrible of wars that his fame will rest. He was the accepted and unchallenged war-leader of the British Empire for the culminating two years of the struggle. He led the supreme manifestations of the might of Britain to absolute and overwhelming victory.

There is much to be said against his conduct of affairs in the war, and many mistakes, especially in his relations with the generals, can be marked with plain and hard phrases. His record rigzags like the fortunes of the war itself. But there was no doubt about the end.

Armageddon.

The end saw the British Empire emerge safe and undiminished from the fiercest storm that ever blew; with all her foes prostrate or ruined, and all her Dominions, Colonies, and possessions at her side. When the British effort at sea, on land, in money, and munitions is taken as a whole, it outweighs and outmatches that of any of our great Allies, and stands the conquering counterpart of the German effort itself.

"But," says the voice of detraction, "he merely scrambled on to the back of the elephant and clung on while the mighty beast blundered and trampled through the jungle into safety."

It is true that individual leaders—statesmen, generals, soldiers—played a far smaller part in Armageddon than in any former war. The tributes are rightly ascribed to the life-energies, heroism, loyalties, and sacrifices of their nations, and of the forces they guided. There is a salutary reaction against according the proprietary credit of world-changing events to the personages who happened to be in high positions when those great events took place.

There are, however, a number of definite actions and decisions of Lloyd George which exercised cardinal influence upon the final result. They are traceable to him not only because of what he did himself, but because of the difference of opinion about them at the time, and the oppositions he had to overcome.

He first of all, before the end of 1914, proclaimed to the cabinet the impending failure of Russia to realise the hopes built upon her size and strength. He, more than



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ARCHITECT AND P.W.D. DELAYS.**DELIVERY OF CHIT QUESTIONED.****FIREPROOF ISSUE.**

The question of the delivery or non-delivery of a chit from the Building Authority to a local architect formed the main issue in a summons brought, before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning, against Kwong Wing-yue, in charge of building operations at 348, Queen's Road Central, who was summoned for failing to use fireproof material in the construction of the staircase.

The defendant said his architect submitted a plan on June 20, but work was not commenced until August 5. They waited for a permit from the Building Authority, but were later told by the architect to carry on with the work.

Mr. H. J. Best, Overseer of the Public Works Department, said that on June 25 a plan was submitted to renew the stairs of the building and a letter was sent on July 22 stating that the stairs had to be of fire-resisting material, the plan being disapproved. The premises were inspected on August 26 and the work found to have been completed with wood. The letter was sent on July 22, with the 28 days laid down in the Ordinance.

Architect's Evidence.

Mr. J. S. Gibson, architect, said the defendant was the agent for the owner and also the contractor. A plan was submitted to the Building Authority on June 25. In about a month's time defendant asked witness if the plan had been approved. He was told that no reply had been received from the Building Authority and on two subsequent occasions, during the next month, he again went to the office and was given a similar answer. He was then told that he could commence the work. "I have authority to do that under Sec. 222," added Mr. Gibson.

Continuing, Mr. Gibson said he had searched his records but could find no trace of any letter ever having been received from the Building Authority. It might have gone astray in transit.

Had an adverse reply been received from the Building Authority, said Mr. Gibson, an amended plan would have been submitted immediately. In any case it was a trivial job and was not a violation of either the Building Authority's or Fire Regulations. It was only making a better job of the house.

In reply to his Worship Mr. Best said the letter was sent by chit and he could produce the book as well as the chit.

Not Trivial.

Mr. Best: With regard to the matter being a trivial one, should like to draw your attention to Sec. 121, sub-sec. 5. People on the second floor would be cut off by fire in any non-fireproof staircase.

Mr. Gibson: The stairs have been improved, your Worship. It takes the Building Authority 27 days to observe this point.

His Worship (to Mr. Best): 27 days seems rather long.

Mr. Best: Yes, your Worship. I can't say anything further on that.

His Worship:—Is there a great pressure of work in the office?

Mr. Best replied that there was, particularly as Mr. J. Bottomley, the engineer concerned, was in charge of the whole Colony. There was great pressure of work on the Praya East.

Mr. Gibson: I don't recognise Mr. Bottomley. I recognise the Building Authority only. I don't recognise Mr. Bottomley or anybody else.

His Worship:—The complainant is Mr. Best; you have to recognise him.

His Worship pointed out the requirements of the amended Ordinance and asked, in view of the regulations passed in 1930, how it was that the plans showed hard wood.

An Anomaly.

Mr. Gibson:—It's an anomaly. The Building Authority insist on fireproof partitions for stairs, but they actually allow and demand that two-inch wooden doors be placed at the top of the staircase. Is a two-inch wooden door fireproof? Never! Hard wooden doors are inflammable. They should be steel doors.

His Worship pointed out that it was the staircase that was objected to.

Mr. Gibson:—If these had been done according to the plan, defendant has not violated the principle of fireproof staircases when you have a two-inch wooden door. Therefore he has not violated the Ordinance in principle.

The summons was adjourned for one week for evidence of delivery of the chit.

RUSSO-ASIATIC BANK FUNDS.**SHANGHAI APPEAL DISMISSED.****ABSURD ARGUMENT**

Judgment in the Russo-Asiatic Bank appeal case, which was heard some time ago, before Sir Peter Grain (President), Sir Joseph Kemp and Mr. Justice Lindsell, in the Full Court of Appeal, was delivered this morning, the appeal being dismissed with costs.

Details of the case, together with the proceedings, are contained in the judgment of Sir Peter Grain, which was read by Sir Joseph Kemp. The judgment stated:—On April 24th, 1931, certain Shanghai creditors of the Russo-Asiatic Bank, namely, Sunloma Bank, Mitsubishi Bank, Bank of Taiwan Bank of Chosen, Mutual Bank, Yue Fuh, Yuen Kong, Lee Poong-yung, Banque France Chinoise, Italian Bank for China, Nederlandsche Indische Handelsbank, Mercantile Bank of India, Jean Louis de Zutter and Shigern Matsumoto, took out a summons before the Chief Justice to admit their claims as preferential claims entitled to preferential payment in the Hongkong liquidation of the Russo-Asiatic Bank. At the hearing on May 8, 1931, an adjournment for three months was also asked for, on the ground that the application had no material on which to argue the facts.

Claims Rejected.

The claims of these creditors to rank as preferential creditors in the Hongkong liquidation was rejected by the Hongkong Official Receiver and Liquidator on April 25th, 1931.

On hearing the parties on May 8th, the Chief Justice made an order refusing the Application for adjournment, and upholding the decision of the Official Receiver and Liquidator in his refusal to admit the claims of the said creditors to rank as preferential claims in the Hongkong liquidation. By the notice of Appeal dated May 21st, the appellants appealed against the decision refusing an adjournment, and the decision refusing to allow the appellants to rank as preferential creditors in the Hongkong liquidation. But the only ground of appeal taken before this Court was the refusal to grant an adjournment.

The adjournment asked for originally was three months in order that material for the purpose of supporting the appellants' claim as preferential creditors in the Hongkong liquidation, might be obtained.

Only One Point.

More than three months has elapsed and it appears that no material for argument on that has yet been obtained. The only question for this Court to determine is whether the learned Chief Justice was right in refusing an adjournment. In the ordinary course of the procedure the reasons for the refusal of the adjournment do not appear. So it remains for me to decide whether the facts placed before the learned Chief Justice in the course of the argument justified him in the course he took. These facts are to be obtained from the Judge's notes, which are very full and very clear.

There have been many attempts of creditors in other places to participate in the Hongkong assets of the liquidation.

Many Attempts.

On June 13, 1927, an order was made to pay the Hongkong creditors in full and the surplus into the Companies Liquidation account.

On January 17, 1928, the China Liquidators applied to have the Hongkong surplus paid to the liquidators in Shanghai or Peking. This application was dismissed.

On May 10, 1928, the China Liquidators sued for a declaration that they were entitled to the Hongkong surplus. The Official Receiver and Liquidators in Hongkong obtained leave to defend and the China Liquidators discontinued the action.

On November 29, 1928, the Official Receiver asked for directions re possible claim by the head office in Russia, and the Shanghai liquidators appeared and were heard, and pressed for the Hongkong surplus on the ground that Shanghai were the principal liquidators. They were refused.

Absurd Argument.

On May 13, 1930, Shanghai liquidators appealed against this decision and argued that the surplus should go to Paris. Appeal dismissed. Leave to Appeal to Privy Council granted, but appeal not proceeded with.

The appellants must have known of the Hongkong surplus in May, 1927. They have been repeatedly connected with applications concerning the Hongkong surplus since that date. Therefore, for

SZE YAP APPEAL SUCCEEDS.**NOTICE OF MEETING INADEQUATE.****DOG FIGHT SIMILE.**

With the whole Court of three judges agreeing that the notice calling a recent confirmatory meeting of shareholders of the Sze Yap Steamship Company was bad, and the resolutions passed at that meeting were invalid, the appeal lodged by certain Directors against the Company was this morning allowed by the Full Court, with costs.

Originally the trial judge held that the meetings held on July 8 and July 24, 1930, and the resolutions connected with those meetings were validly held and passed. The Full Court, presided over by Sir Peter Grain, assisted by the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp) and the Acting Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell), reversed this decision.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin and Mr. Leo D'Almada, jun., instructed by Mr. Leo D'Almada, jun., were for the appellants, and Mr. H. G. Sheldon instructed by Mr. F. X. D'Almada Sen., for the respondents. Sir Peter Grain was not present for the reading of the judgments in the Supreme Court this morning, and his findings were read by Mr. Justice Lindsell.

The Judgment.

In the course of the judgment he said that the original proceedings began by an application on behalf of the Sze Yap Steamship Co., Ltd. (then the plaintiffs) for an injunction to restrain the present appellants (then the defendants) from dealing with the funds, using the seal, and otherwise interfering in the management of the Company (which was granted). The appellants were the original Directors of the Company.

Later the issues were enlarged and the case heard before the Acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood), when he had to decide whether the meetings held respectively on July 8th and July 24th, 1930, and the resolutions connected with these meetings were validly held and validly passed. He found they were.

Sir Peter Grain, after reviewing the subsequent history of the case, referring to the stormy meetings held, and of the resolutions put to the meetings, said that he was of the opinion that all the resolutions were duly and properly passed, and subject to confirmation, were valid resolutions.

Question of Notice.

He then came to the notice of the confirmatory meeting. "Was the meeting duly convened?" The Companies Ordinance requires of seven days' notice, exclusive of the day of service, must be given for such meeting. The appellants alleged that seven days' notice was not given.

There was very little evidence at the trial as to the service of notices; in fact, both parties appeared to have been somewhat indifferent to that point. The evidence on which they had to rely was, first, that of the printer of the notices, Tse Cheung-shuk, who stated that he delivered the notice to Kau Hok-lui on July 14th at about noon. But Kau Hok-lui was not asked any question about the service of the notices by either party. But they had the fact that the company had the notices ready for service in their possession on July 14. The notices were dated July 17, and a copy of the notice appeared in the Press on July 17, which must have been sent to the newspaper on July 16.

Mengre Evidence.

None of the witnesses appeared to have been asked when the confirmatory meeting notices were served or by whom, although some

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them to say that on May 8, 1931, they had no material on which to argue the facts, seems to be absurd.

It may be that they had no new material and could find none on which to argue the point, and now, after three months have elapsed, (the adjournment asked for), they still have no material on which to argue.

Appeal Dismissed.

I am of opinion that the learned Chief Justice was justified in refusing the adjournment and that this appeal should be dismissed with costs.

Sir Joseph Kemp added:—For my part, I may say that I concur. Mr. Justice Lindsell also concurred.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, represented respondent, (the Official Receiver), while Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Messrs. Deacons was for the Chinese liquidators (appellants).

PLANE MISHAP IN PHILIPPINES.**CHINESE PASSENGER LOSES ARM.**

Hollo, Sept. 5. Teh Le-kin, a Chinese passenger of the aeroplane "Tali," lost his right arm and is now confined in the hospital following an accident when the plane alighted on Guimaras Strait last Friday afternoon.

Teh Le-kin, who came to Hollo from Manila on business, took the plane expecting to return to Manila the following day to meet his wife who was arriving from Shanghai.

According to the investigation, the Chinese passenger attempted to leave the plane while the motor was going and his arm was caught by the whirling propeller. He was immediately taken to the hospital where the arm was amputated.

ENGLISH TENNIS VICTORY.**WINS OVER FRANCE AND AMERICA.**

Philadelphia, Sept. 4. Winning all three matches, the United States made a clean sweep of today's session of the international tennis tourney.

George Lott defeated George Hughes of England, 6-4, 8-6.

Ellsworth Vines, youthful Californian, defeated Christian Bousquet of France, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2.

Lott and Vines defeated Hughes and Fred Perry of England 6-4, 6-4. The matches brought the tournament to close and gave the three competing countries the following final match score: England, 1; United States, 3; France, 2.

They were asked when they received them, which was of little assistance as to the date they were sent out. The appellants had called no evidence to show that they were not served on July 17, and therefore he must accept the somewhat meagre evidence that they were served on July 17, which gave them seven days' notice.

The next point to consider was whether the notices were good.

The notice states that "at a special general meeting of the whole lot of shareholders . . . on the 8th of July for considering eight items of matter mentioned in the requisition . . . the various shareholders at that time unanimously agreed to the adoption of all the Resolutions" and it goes on to state that the shareholders are requested to confirm on July 24: "such resolutions previously adopted." The resolutions are not set out in this notice.

There seems no doubt that the notice of the confirmatory meeting should specify in some way the resolution which this meeting is asked to confirm.

Form of Resolutions.

In fact, Palmer's Company Precedents Form 340, sets out in the Form all resolutions to be passed.

On 1 half of the respondents, it is urged that although the resolutions are not set out, all that is required is that the shareholders should have fair notice of what they are being called upon to confirm and that this they had got in their possession or could easily obtain from the previous Requisition Notice which contained all the Resolutions set out.

And the learned Judge in the Court below found "This second notice referred each shareholder to an immediately available and complete record of information and by so doing fulfilled the requisites of due notice for any meeting".

Notice Not Fair.

I am not in agreement with these propositions because when one comes to compare the resolutions to be confirmed they differ considerably from those set out in the Requisition.

In the Requisition (No. 2) there was an alternative as to the removal of Directors, but the resolution carried was to remove all.

Sir Peter concluded by saying:—I am of the opinion that the notice calling the confirmatory meeting was a bad notice as it did not give a shareholder fair notice as to what he would be called upon to confirm at that meeting, and the notice of the confirmatory meeting being out of order, the resolutions passed at that meeting are invalid.

Dog Fight Simile.

Sir Joseph Kemp and Mr. Justice Lindsell, in written judgments, concurred with this decision, the acting Puisne Judge, commenting on the rowdiness displayed at the meetings in the following terms:—As to exactly what happened during the time that Li Lu-tung occupied the chair, there is not unnaturally a sharp conflict of evidence. One certainly emerges; there was uproar and confusion. One might as well expect to get a clear account of such a meeting as of the details and sequence of events of a dog fight.

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Paul Whiteman and His Concert Orchestra. 35912.

Gems from "Rio Rita."

J. Harold Murray and Victor Light Opera Company.

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Victor Light Opera Company. 35816.

8.00 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.04-8.25 p.m. Organ Solos.

Value Mystereuse (Meale).

Souvenir Di Valentino (Wood).

Organ Paraphrase on "Love's Old Sweet Song" (Molloy arr. Meale).

(a) Morning Dew (Power) (b) The Old Oak Tree (Power).

Doge's March (from "The Merchant of Venice"—Rose).

Reginald Foort. C1529.

8.25-8.50 p.m. Humorous Numbers.

Steel Guitar Solo—Old Black Joe.

Song—He's So Usual.

Song—If I Do Anything For You.

Saxophone Solo—Serenade Badine.

Saxophone Solo—In the Orient.

Song—The Road to Vicksburg.

Song—The King of Borneo.

Violin Solo—Fair Rosemary (Kreisler).

Violin Solo—Rondino (Kreisler).

Chorus—Let Us Cheer the Weary Traveller (Old Folk Song).

Chorus—Somebody's Knocking At Your Door (Old Folk Song).

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Guitar Solo—Courante (Bach).

Guitar Solo—Sonatina in A Major (Torroba).

Song—Four Jolly Sailormen (German).

Song—On a January Morning (German).

Keith Falkner (Baritone). B3658.

Song—Russian Nightingale Song (Alabieff).

Song—(a) Clavellitos (Valverde) (b) Estrellita (Ponce).

Madam Amelita Galli-Curci (Soprano). 1440.

Piano Solo—By The Brookside (Slojowski).

Piano Solo—The Prophet Bird (Schumann).

Ignace Jan Paderewski. 1426.

Song—It's Nice To Get Up In The Morning But It's Nicer To Stay In Bed.

Song—Doughie The Baker.

Sir Harry Lauder. 9010.

10.20 p.m. London Letters and Rugby Mid-Day Press News.

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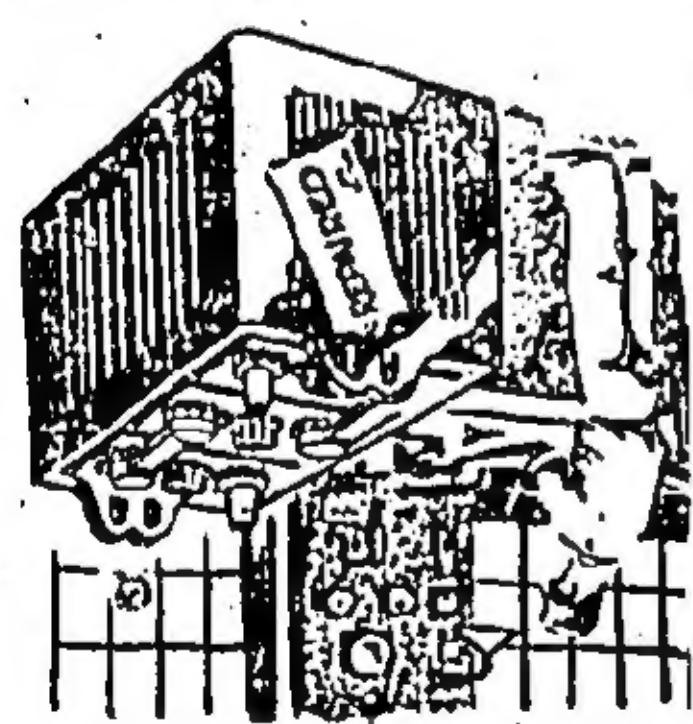
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SWIMMING GALA AT REPULSE BAY.

AQUATIC SPORTS MEETING FOR THE CHILDREN.

Held under the auspices of the Ministering Children's League, for members and their friends, the swimming gala at Repulse Bay yesterday attracted a large crowd to Hongkong's most popular bathing resort, great interest being taken by the children in the various events which were arranged for their benefit.

Ranging from competitive swimming for both boys and girls to sand castle building, the programme contained a great variety of events and included a pyjama parade for ladies only. For this a large number of ladies, in their multiple-coloured suits of different designs, paraded past His Excellency the Governor and the judges after the children's sports had been concluded.

The part of the beach where the sports were held was decorated with bunting supplied by H. M. S. Tamar, which also provided a band of handy workers. Tea was served during the interval, while Messrs. Siemens China Co. provided music with an amplifying set and two dynamic loud speakers, the records being kindly lent by Messrs. Anderson's music store.

At the conclusion of the gala, Lady Peel distributed the prizes, the proceedings being presided over by Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe. There were many prominent local residents present, including, besides Sir William and Lady Peel, His Excellency the G. O. C., Major-General J. W. Sandilands, Commander A. H. Walker, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern and Mrs. Southern and others.

The Prize List.

The following were the prize winners:

50 yards handicap (for boys, 11 years to 14).—1, N. Reynolds; 2, N. Dooker; 3, H. Clarke.

30 yards handicap (for girls, 11 years to 14).—1, V. Gray; 2, J. Shooksmith; 3, H. Orping.

100 yards (for boys, 15 years to 18).—1, L. Remedios; 2, A. Rumjahn; 3, R. B. Wood.

100 yards (for girls, 15 years to 18).—1, Chun Yuk-fai; 2, C. Wei; 3, G. McNeillie.

25 yards (for girls, 7 years to 10).—1, B. Kerrick; 2, C. Sauer; 3, P. Turnbull.

25 yards (for boys 7 years to 10).—1, D. Wilson; 2, R. Petherick; 3, W. Orlepp.

15 yards (for boys and girls under 7 years).—1, L. Millar; 2, E. Forster; 3, J. Miskin.

10 yards race with floats (for boys and girls under 7 years).—1, J. Ralston; 2, F. Saby; 3, J. Saunders.

Paddling on boards (for boys and girls).—1, D. Taylor; 2, S. H. Wong; 3, N. Reynolds.

Sand Castle Building (over 6 years).—1, B. Purvis; 2, D. Brown; 3, P. Turnbull.

Sand Castle Building (under 6 years).—1, J. Fitzhenry; 2, J. Saunders; 3, E. Forster.

Pyjama Parade.—1, Mrs. G. E. Carr; 2, Miss Ho; 3, Mrs. Pasco and daughter.

PING PONG LEAGUE.

FINAL OF THE JUNIOR DIVISION.

The final of the Junior Division of the Ping Pong League will take place at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Bridges Street, this evening at 7.30 p.m., between the South China "B" and the Confucian Association.

So far neither team has lost a single match, and a very keen struggle is expected.

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CANTON TENNIS.

BRILLIANT YOUNG CHINESE DEFEATS RUMJAHNS.

Canton Sept. 8. A tennis tournament under Davis Cup rules, between S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn of Hongkong and G. Bodiker and Leung Tat-kwong of Canton, which had to be postponed five weeks ago owing to the indisposition of S. A. Rumjahn, was played off on Sunday and Monday, the result after a hard struggle being in favour of Canton by three matches to two.

The outstanding player was undoubtedly the young Chinese, Leung Tat-kwong, who defeated both the Rumjahn cousins in singles. His style was in every way excellent, his forehand and backhand drives and placing were all equally good, and it was obvious that he was the superior player.

G. Bodiker beat H. D. Rumjahn in straight sets but lost to S. A. Rumjahn. In the doubles, the Rumjahn cousins proved their superiority as doubles players, winning in four sets by 22 games to 16.

Tennis experts prophesy a brilliant future for Leung Tat-kwong, who is only 19 years of age, and expect that after a little more experience he will go far as one of China's best exponents. The detailed results were as follows:

Leung Tat-kwong beat S. A. Rumjahn 6/4, 11/9, 6/4.

Leung Tat-kwong beat H. D. Rumjahn 6/8, 6/4, 6/2, 6/6.

G. Bodiker beat H. D. Rumjahn 7/5, 6/4, 6/2.

G. Bodiker lost to S. A. Rumjahn 2/6, 4/6, 6/4, 4/6.

S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn beat Leung Tat-kwong and G. Bodiker 6/2, 6/4, 4/6, 6/4.—Our Own Correspondent.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Penbreath and Co.

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May 1932 1.45 up 1 pt.
July 1932 1.50 up 2 pts.
September 1932 1.54 up 1 pt.
December 1931 1.36 up 2 pts.

WATER LEVELS.

DETAILS FOR WEST, NORTH AND EAST RIVERS.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in English feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River on the dates named:

Sept. 8

West River at Shihing 17.7

North River at Samshui 17.5

North River at Tsingyuen 12.2

East River at Shiklung 9.8

The highest levels recorded are: Shihing, 41 feet; Tsingyuen, 29.2 feet; Samshui, 27.3 feet; Shiklung, 11.5 feet.

The lowest levels on record are minus 5 feet at Samshui and minus 2.7 feet at Shiklung.

WILL LLOYD GEORGE "COME BACK?"

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any other man, from the beginning of 1915 onwards, imagined the gigantic scale upon which the production of munitions of all kinds must be undertaken.

Megalomania.

In those days and in that sphere megalomania was the highest virtue. Many men made large, bold plans for the manufacture of war material; but the largest and the boldest were putty compared to what were afterwards required and ultimately produced. He it was who, when Minister of Munitions, organised and drove forward the universal mobilisation of British industry for war purposes.

It was two years before the vast national plants which he created for the production of guns and shells came into full operation. But once they did so, that problem at any rate ceased to exist.

The processes by which Mr. Lloyd George seized the Premiership will bear very searching examination. As Carlyle says of Cromwell, "he coveted the place. Perhaps the place was his." Certainly there was no comparison between the all-embracing vigour of his war-direction and the performances either of his predecessors or of his highest colleagues.

Introduced Convey.

It fell to his lot, newly installed in power, to face the hideous perils of the German unlimited submarine attack in the spring of 1917. Each month, as the curve of sinkings mounted progressively above that of new construction, the anxiety of all who knew the facts became intense. But the Prime Minister was undaunted. He did not lose heart himself and he did not tolerate defeatism in others.

When admirals and generals, so flattered and pampered, as they were by ignorant public applause, nevertheless blenched and wavered, it was the tenacious, vital politician who gripped them hard or flung them aside for firmer-hearted agents. Nothing broke the German submarine attack as much as the convey system. Mr. Lloyd George's personal share in forcing that upon the Admiralty is a noteworthy and indisputable page in his record.

The long and tortuous intrigues by which he overcame the professional resistances to "Unity of Command" on the Western Front must not detract from the surpassing merit and advantage of that memorable achievement. Compared to this, his ill-advised championship of General Nivelle's offensive in the spring of 1917 and his tame acquiescence in the shocking prolongation of the Passchendaele slaughters of that winter recede into their proper place.

This catalogue of service is by no means complete, but, as it stands, it is unique, majestic and impressive.

Party Ties.

Why then may we ask in conclusion, has this great servant of the Crown fallen so decisively from power and in current reputation? Is it because we are a fickle, short-memory, and ungrateful people? Is it because of the blind workings of faults and failures of his own? There is much to be said on each of these points. But the need of the nation to-day is grievous. The world itself is in distress and per-

CORRESPONDENCE.

University Sensation.

[To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir.—The news about the closing of Lugard Hall must have caused a great sensation indeed to the public who are keenly interested in the affairs of our University. What causes this great sensation is the very drastic step taken by the University authorities in closing Lugard Hall. This step is drastic because this unfortunate incident happened during vacation when many Lugard Hall students were away on holiday and the resident students at the time were not only students of Lugard Hall but from the other hostels as well.

In this respect the students of the other hostels are as much in it as those of Lugard Hall as "no assistance was given to the Vice-Chancellor who conducted the inquiry into the matter by any of the students who were in Lugard Hall on the night in question."

Obviously only the present residents of Lugard Hall are to be blamed; then, why close Lugard Hall in particular and in their way extend the punishment to those innocent students who are away?

Thanking you for the space and enclosing my card.—Yours, etc.,
FAIRPLAY.

STOWAWAY FROM AUSTRALIA.

SENTENCED THIS MORNING.

Arriving in the Colony on the A. and O. liner Taihing, a European named Edward John Gamdon was charged before Mr. Fraser, at the Kowloon Magistrate's this morning, with stowing away on that vessel from Port Darwin.

The prosecuting officer stated that the defendant was discovered on board the ship the day after she left Port Darwin.

Pleading guilty, defendant said he was a native of London and was trying to get back to England. He had done odd jobs in Australia, but at the time he stowed away, he was "on the rocks." He added that he was perfectly willing to work his way back to England.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$50, with the alternative of one month's hard labour.

There is no country whose affairs are conducted with less vigour and mental energy than Great Britain. There is no nation which has more need of all the best services of its most resolute, resourceful, and experienced men.

It may well be that the chief and most damaging cause of Mr. Lloyd George's decline is his identification with the petty political exigencies of a small and dwindling party. Let us hope that when he is restored to full health he will stand squarely upon his own feet and, untrammelled by party ties and weak, discontent associates, give his own true counsel upon National and Imperial questions to Parliament and the nation as a whole.

Whether such a course would lead to power may be uncertain; But that it will afford him the only pedestal worthy of his past is sure.

AN INTERPORTER.



R. A. Macdonald, winner of the 880 and 440 yards swimming championship. He will be among the Shanghai Interport team against Hongkong.

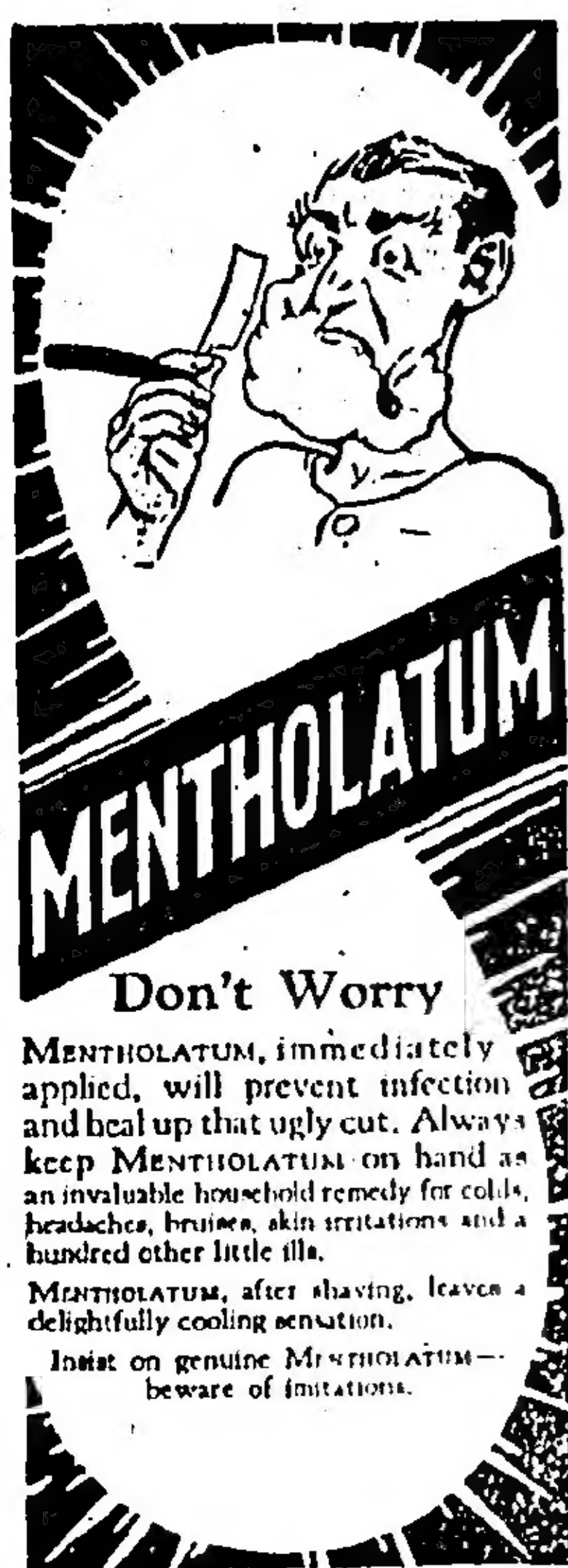


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MUNICIPAL ISSUE DISCUSSED.

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Public Ownership of essential utilities like water, electricity, gas and transport etc. Amongst those who attended the Convention were a British Municipal Electricity Official, a British Municipal Gas Official and a British Municipal Transport Official, who all had to read papers pro-Municipal working, and were followed by papers by the proponents of private ownership of these three businesses.

My late father was the British Municipal Transport representative and he kindly took me with him. Although I was very young at the time I listened attentively to the arguments both for and against public ownership.

Both points of view—as expressed by the various delegates—struck me as tantalizingly convincing, with the result that ever since that New York Convention of 1903 I have been keenly interested in the pros and cons of Municipal Socialism.

So far as America is concerned we all know that Municipal trading has made little or no headway. There are, for instance, at least 75 transport undertakings in Great Britain which are operated by Municipalities, whereas I know of only three—Detroit, San Francisco and Seattle in the U.S.A. In Detroit the revenue barely meets the cost of operation; in San Francisco the voters recently turned down a proposal to extend, further, municipal ownership and operation; in Seattle the fares are as high as anywhere in the country, yet service is said to be unsatisfactory and taxpayers are confronted with the necessity of paying for a substantial deficit.

American Air Ports.

America, is, however, going ahead rapidly on Municipal airports. Up to January 1st last 1,113 airports had been established in the U.S.A., of which 549 were Municipal and 564 commercial.

Let me quote two recent items of legislation, one case for the protection of private enterprise and the other in favour of bureaucratic control.

The Ulster House of Commons recently passed their Electricity Supply Bill, but by a large majority rejected the clause which would have empowered local authorities to provide, sell or let on hire, any electrical fittings or apparatus for lighting, heating or motive power. This clause was, of course, rejected in the interests of the private trader, who will not be prepared to let on hire—say, an electric oven—as cheaply as the Belfast Corporation would have been prepared to do.

Just as Ulster has its own House of Commons, so has the Isle of Man, but in the latter place it is called the House of Keys. This very live body recently rejected a Bill which aimed at giving a private Company the electricity supply rights for the whole Island. The House of Keys not only rejected the Bill but went so far as to threaten to pass no taxation until the Governor of the Island had introduced a Government Bill providing for electricity supply to be entirely in the hands of the Government.

Private v Municipal.

How is that in Liverpool and Sheffield the gas undertakings are in the hands of private enterprise whilst in the equally large cities of Manchester and Leeds these undertakings are run by the Municipalities?

What advantages are enjoyed by the citizens of Eastbourne and Torquay, where the electricity undertaking is in the hands of the Municipalities, over the citizens of Bournemouth and Folkestone, where the electricity works are owned by companies?

In the urban passenger transport business in Bristol and Norwich—where it is in the hands of companies—inferior to the Municipal systems of Cardiff and Hull?

Town councillors require to be fairly thick-skinned. There are times when a party in general and a few of the individual councillors in particular are the objects of the most severe criticism, not to say unfair abuse. The result is that men of too refined an upbringing shrink from the publicity which public life incurs and it follows that there are a large number of men in almost every town at home who would make excellent town councillors but who refuse to embark on a life of useful service to the community because of the inevitable publicity of Town Council work.

Extraordinary Position.

This may explain the extraordinary Municipal position of Oxford vis a vis Wigan. In Oxford the trading concerns gas, electricity and Transport, are monopolies in the hands of private enterprise controlled all three undertakings. As a Lancashire man I hesitate to suggest that perhaps the average Wigan tradesman is better qualified for the administration of trading concerns than councillors versed in Greek and Roman literature.

The chief person in an English town is the Mayor. Those gentle-

FILMLAND'S LATEST TRIANGLE.



Those accusing eyes of Mrs. Rita von Sternberg in the upper picture are directed at Marlene Dietrich, lower right, celebrated screen actress, whom she is suing for \$500,000 alienation of affections damages, charging she stole the love of her husband, Josef von Sternberg, Marlene's director, shown left. Mrs. von Sternberg is likewise suing Marlene for \$100,000, charging libel in a series of articles which appeared in German and Austrian papers said to have been written by Miss Dietrich.

men, however, who aspire to be mayors of Kowloon, must not imagine that they—in turn—are going to rule the Kowloon roost if and when a Municipal Council in Kowloon becomes an accomplished fact.

The man upon whose advice every Committee of the Corporation must, to a large extent, rely, is the Town Clerk. My close association with two very able Town Clerks has, perhaps, given me too high an opinion of Town Clerks generally, but my experience has been that the Town Clerk is always aloof from politics, never makes a public speech but who, nevertheless, runs the Municipality after the manner of a captain running his ship. Although, nominally, the chief servant of the Corporation he is, in fact, the Corporation.

There are, however, exceptions, and most Yorkshiremen know the story of the late Sir Charles Wilson, leader of the Leeds City Council, on the occasion of Leeds promoting a Bill in Parliament for the purpose of extending the City boundaries.

Sir Charles was in the witness chair in a Committee room of the House of Commons, and he kept saying Leeds wanted this and Leeds considered that and Leeds demanded so and so. Sir Charles was a very portly gentleman and suddenly examining, said: "Tell me, Sir Charles, who is Leeds?" To which came the startling reply "I am Leeds." "Then let us hope," said counsel: "That the Leeds boundaries will NOT be extended." But they were.

"I Am Kowloon."

Whether, in the misty future, there will ever arise in the Kow-

loon Town Council a man who will say with conviction and confidence "I am Kowloon" one cannot say, but should this ever come to pass it will be a red-letter day for Kowloon. The next best thing, however, would be a strong and capable Town Clerk.

In most large towns in Great Britain the Municipality administers such departments as water, drainage, education, baths, parks and gardens, health, highways, markets, fire, sewage farms and abattoirs etc. and the majority of people consider that this is as it should be. When, however, it comes to trading concerns like transport, gas and electricity there is a sharp conflict of opinion. These enterprises are trading concerns and I can think of no better topic of discussion in a debating society than that of whether these urban public utilities should be operated by the ratepayers for the ratepayers or by private enterprise. To what extent are municipalities justified in pledging the credit of their ratepayers in embarking on trading schemes which may be hazardous and which could be left to private companies?

Cabinet Minister's Opinion.

When I was at Home last year I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Herbert Morrison, the then Minister of Transport, who is regarded in Parliamentary circles as the one outstanding success of the recent Labour Government. In a speech at Llandudno, on October 10th last, Mr. Morrison said: "I am convinced that if Socialist proposals are put forward in the way that they are sound on business grounds, that they are common sense, that they represent obviously

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the public interest, then those proposals are so obviously the right thing to do that it would be impossible for them to be opposed without opponents running the risk of making themselves ridiculous. Collectivist policy for a huge area would not be of metropolitan interest only: it would be of national interest, as it would establish a new and successful machinery for the management of collectivist undertakings.

Mr. Morrison then referred to the Road Traffic Act of 1930 and said that it was, in reality, a measure of economic and industrial reconstruction, and that it incorporated an important instrument of Municipal Socialism. Mr. Morrison's peroration was as follows:

"The industries of the country must be made effective instruments of production. They must be socialized where that was economically and socially possible, and where it was not possible the machinery must be prepared so that a Labour Government of the future could finish the work that had been begun. The nation had to get its living, and its industries must be efficient and well organized. Guided as they were by Socialist principles and inspired by Socialist ideas, they must make sure that what they did was economically sound and in the interests of the nation as a whole."

Not Dreamer's Theories.
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Geneva, Sept. 8.

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MUNICIPAL ISSUE DISCUSSED.

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They are the convictions of a man who, until a few weeks ago, was one of His Majesty's Ministers of State, with a seat in both the Cabinet and the Privy Council. He is also an energetic, forceful, and exceedingly able man of affairs, and one feels bound carefully to consider his views, and to try to detect the defects (if any) in his arguments before rejecting them.

Mr. Morrison's opponents declare that economic soundness and socialism are incompatible and irreconcilable. Mr. Morrison, however—if you told him this—would smile a very engaging smile and reply that he only advocated the socialization of an industry if that were economically practicable. I will give you a concrete example. There is a small town in Bedfordshire named Luton, in which there is a very small and unprofitable tramway. This was—until, about 1920—operated by a company, when it was bought out by the Municipality. After ten years operation, however, the Municipality rightly came to the conclusion that the place was too small for trams and they entered into negotiations with the Eastern National Omnibus Company, who made quite a good offer for the undertaking on condition that the Municipality entered into an agreement not to institute competitive transport for 21 years. As the Luton Corporation possess only 13 tramcars, and the track mostly single line with passing places, the offer was accepted, subject to the consent of the Minister of Transport. Mr. Morrison, however, refused his consent. Is this in the interests of the Luton ratepayers?

One cannot say, without further particulars and details.

Public Ownership Views.

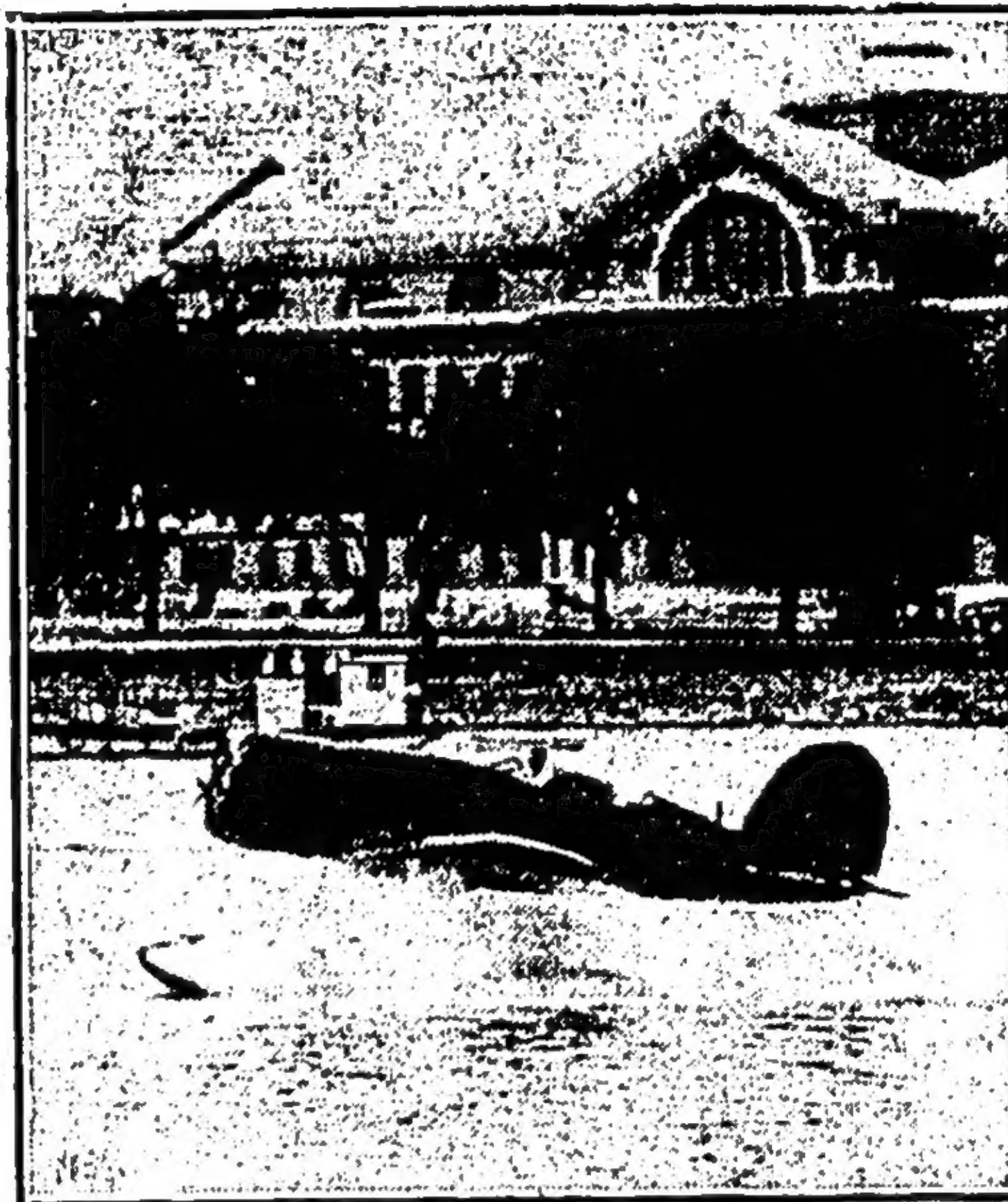
To show that Mr. Morrison's views on public ownership of urban passenger transport are shared by a constantly increasing number of people in England, I need only report a significant incident relating to Bournemouth. On February 3rd last, at a meeting of the Bournemouth Town Council, a letter was read from the Hants. and Dorset Motor Services Ltd., in which that Company expressed its willingness to negotiate with the Town Council with a view to the acquisition by the Company of the whole of the transport services operated by the Bournemouth Corporation, on terms indicated in an accompanying letter. During the discussion the Mayor said:—"Do you wish to hear the terms of the offer, or will you settle it as a matter of principle?" To this there was an overwhelming chorus of "principle," and, by a large majority, the Council refused to have the terms read. The Bournemouth Municipal Transport undertaking is, therefore, not for sale on any terms.

Much as some of us may deplore this uncompromising attitude on the part of the Bournemouth Town Council, it is as well for us to recognize that Mr. Morrison's philosophy regarding Municipal ownership of trading undertakings has a huge number of adherents in the old country to-day.

English Local Government.

The late Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman once said, "Good government is no substitute for self-government," and Mr. P. A. Harris, M.A., M.P., in his book *London and its Government* says:

"The English system of local government has been built up, not necessarily because it is always the best way to discharge public services, but because, on balance, it is best for people to assume responsibility through their representatives for the management of their own affairs." In a recent address before the Institute of Transport, Sir Lynden Macassey, K.C., said:



The Orient, and 7100 miles of flying lay ahead of Col. and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh when, as pictured above, their trim Lockheed Sirius seaplane set out from Washington at the start of the famous couple's vacation flight to Japan.

"All services of public utility, e.g. the supply of gas, water, electricity and transport must, for the sake of efficiency, be monopolies and, further, for the protection of the public, controlled or regulated monopolies."

Sir Lynden Macassey then proceeds to point out that on the Continent of Europe this conclusion was arrived at many years ago, but that Continental opinion found itself irresistibly driven to the further conclusion that both the ownership and operation of these public utilities should be in public hands—those of the state or the municipality.

Only where there appears to be considerable financial risk attaching to the operation of gas, transport or electricity undertakings do our Continental friends approve of private enterprise stepping in.

Individual Initiative.

In Britain it is different. In fact, a generation ago, we were of much the same opinion as America still is on these points, namely, that individual initiative and personal push should be given free rein and that this is possible only through private enterprise. From a transport point of view I put this generalization, last year, to the test. I visited New York, where all the urban transport is in the hands of Companies, and Berlin, where it is all in the hands of the Municipality. Although the best motor buses I saw on my tour were operated by private enterprise, the best tram-cars were run by a Municipality. But not in either New York or Berlin. Both classes of vehicle were in London.

Municipal Councils—like individuals—often do unwise things, but it is on very rare occasions that they do disgraceful things, and only one such case has come within my experience. This happened in a corporation which I was serving and concerned the Chief Constable, who was improperly dismissed by the Watch Committee.

There followed a Home Office enquiry which resulted in the Home Secretary ordering the Municipality to reinstate the Chief Constable.

A tremendous lot depends on the personnel of a town council. In scores of towns, and particularly in cities like Birmingham, Manchester and Glasgow, etc., in addition to a number of ignorant and inexperienced people, the city

council is privileged to count amongst its members a considerable proportion of first-class business men who can be relied upon to do all in their power to ensure that sound business economies are observed in all Municipal transactions.

Municipal Elections.

As most of you, however, are aware, one-third of the members of a town council (excluding the Aldermen) are required to retire (or seek re-election) every year or, in other words, each councillor in Britain can serve for a term of 3 years only before again facing the electors. Thus, it happens that on November 1st each year a number of new men may enter the town council, and it is this period of the year which is the most anxious for the rate-payers and the permanent municipal officials. Reckless promises are sometimes made to influence votes, and it is on the eve of the municipal elections that unsound concessions to popular clamour are occasionally made. Such concessions, which may lead to the undermining of the sound financial foundation of a trading undertaking, would never have been made by a private company. This is one of the evil possibilities of Municipal Socialism although, of course, the right type of candidate for Municipal honours would sacrifice votes rather than be stamped into an improper promise.

Local Civic Spirit.

Every movement, however, throughout the ages, has had its abuses as well as its uses, and whereas, in this Colony, where elections through the medium of the ballot box are almost unknown, and where what I would describe as the true civic spirit is confined to very small groups, it is very different in the cities and boroughs of Great Britain. In such places—where the ratepayers elect the councillors—it is only natural that these ratepayers should keep a pretty watchful eye on those in whose power it is to raise or reduce the rates. Even if its motives are consequently selfish the electorate nevertheless maintains a very lively interest in the town's affairs.

But is it good for us to be spoon-fed all our lives? In a city I know very well babies are brought into the world by Municipal midwives, fed on Municipal sterilized milk and, later on, educated at Municipal baths, cook by Municipal gas, read by Municipal electricity, ride on

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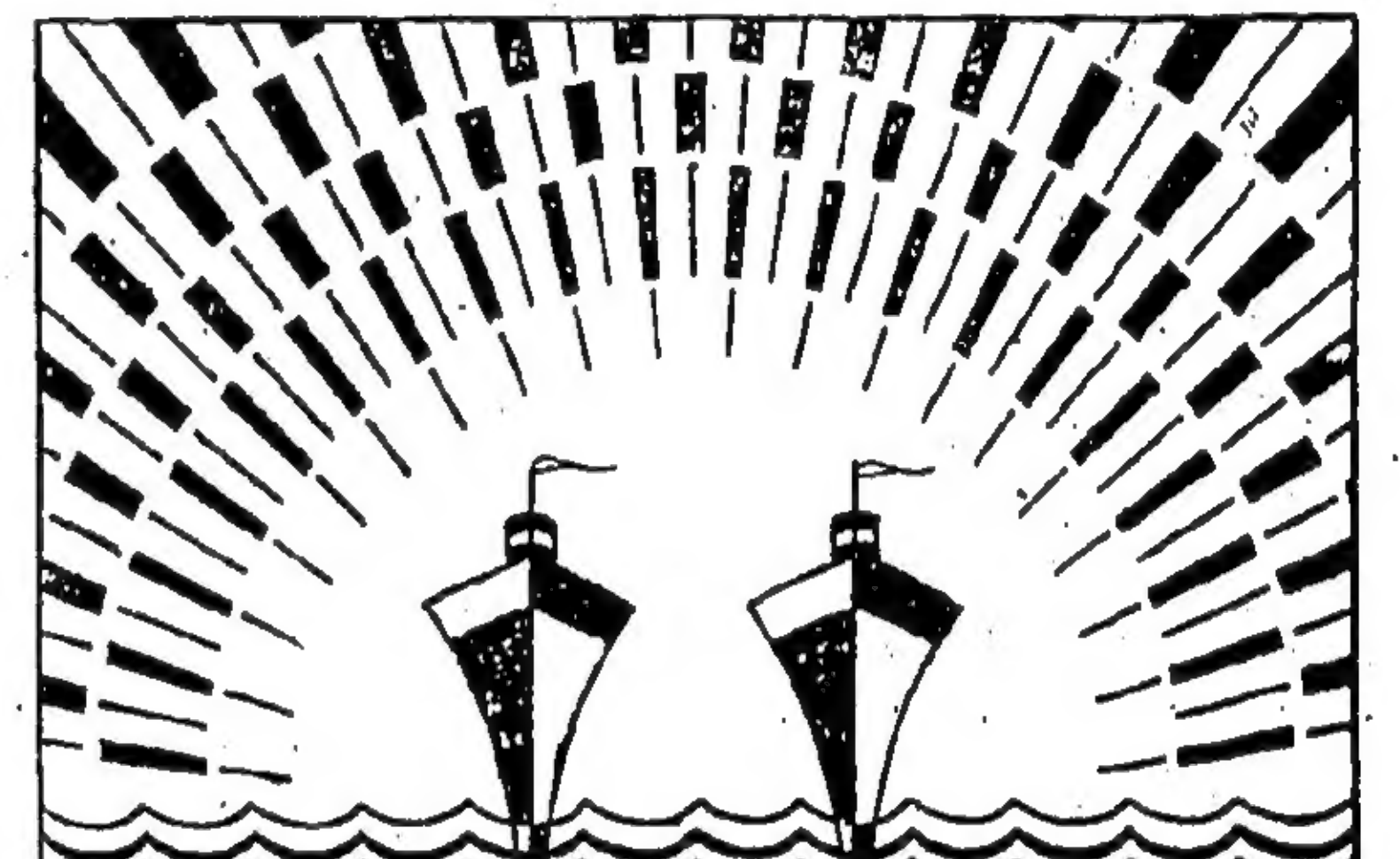
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The wedding took place at the St. Margaret Mary Church, Happy Valley, on Monday afternoon, of Miss Lillian Frances (Stella) Elms, second daughter of the late Mr. F. J. Elms, of Vancouver, B.C., and of Mrs. M.C. Hingston, of Hongkong, and Mr. Leonid Gregorievitch Cotowez, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Cotowez, of Vladivostok.

The Rev. Fr. D. Page, Rector of the Church, officiated.

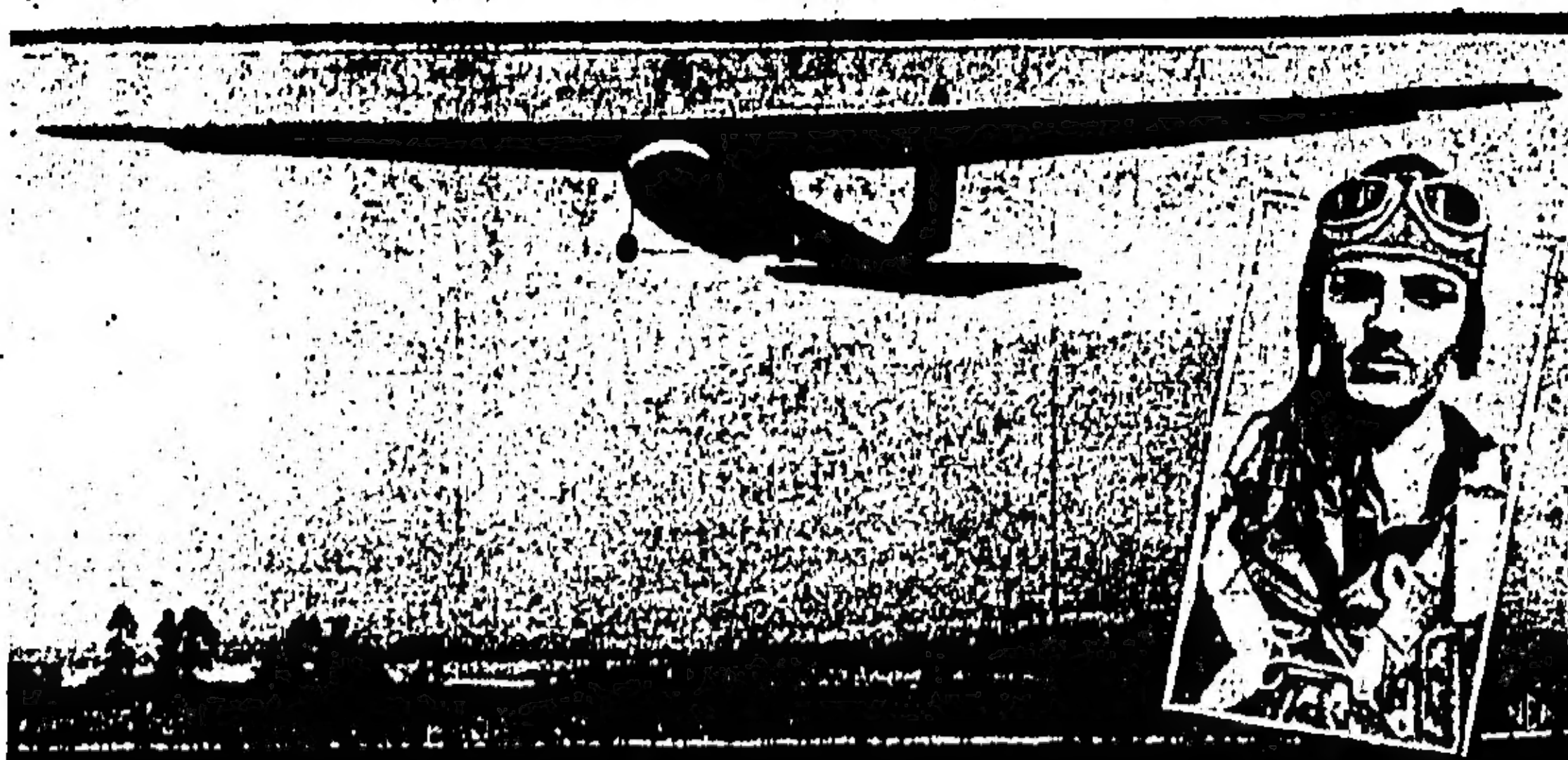
The bride was given away by her step-father, Mr. H. J. Hingston, Chief Steward of R.M.S. Empress of Japan, and attended by her sister, Miss Margaret Maude Elms (bridesmaid), and her cousin, Mrs. P. T. F. Julian (matron of honour). Little Miss Gertie Remedios (bride's niece) was the flower girl, whilst Master Kevin Julian was the page.

The duties of best man were carried out by the bride's brother, Mr. F. J. Elms, while Mr. H. Tillman and Mr. Boris Ivanchenko were the groomsmen.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at the bride's mother's residence, 334, Lockhart Road, where the usual toasts were honoured. The honeymoon is being spent in Canton.

The bride's gift to the groom was a jade scarf pin, whilst that of the groom to the bride was a pair of diamond ear-drops.

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MISS AMY JOHNSON.

EXPECTS TO HOP OFF FOR LONDON TO-DAY.

Koenigsberg, Sept. 8.

Miss Amy Johnson left Koenigsberg for Hanover this morning. She intends to stay at Hanover to-night, and depart for London to-morrow. — *Reuter*.

MUNICIPAL ISSUE DISCUSSED.

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municipal buses and trams, play tennis on Municipal courts and golf on Municipal links, receive medical aid from their panel doctor, cross to the sea-side on Municipal ferries do their courting in Municipal parks, attend Municipal concerts, and Municipal organ recitals, vote for the wrong Municipal candidate every year and finally end up in a Municipal crematorium.

Must Accept Social Services.

To keep pace with the march of science we must accept these social services whether we want them or not. One cannot help reflecting, however, as one travels through the New Territories, that possibly the peasant farmer of Shatin and Tai Po gets more kick out of life because he has to fend for himself. There is no yardstick by which to measure his happiness but these peasant farmers do not appear to want communal aid because of their inherent resourcefulness. And the more we are entered for by science and ministered to by the State and the Municipality the less resourceful—as individuals—must we become. And although this decline in resourcefulness means increased dependence upon others it is, possibly, a summons to us to pool our individual facilities and to assist each in his own town, in its local self-government.

Every year, one-third of the town councillors in an English borough are called upon by their constituents to give an account of their stewardship, and although it is unfortunately true that at the annual municipal elections, sound business and economic considerations are often subordinated to political expediency, it is no less true to say that the majority of those who vote on November 1st each year are imbued with a sort of civic consciousness which seems to be lacking in this Colony except, perhaps, in the case of members of that live body, the Kowloon Residents' Association.

Hongkong Apathy.

This apathy towards public affairs is natural at all surprising; it is the necessary consequence of good and efficient government by people who are not required to solicit our support at the hustings. But it is bad for the man-in-the-street in the

sense that all communal thinking is done for him and his potential capacity for service and citizenship may become atrophied.

I will conclude—as I commenced—this address by a reference to public bathing facilities. Further, as I have not dealt with Provosts and Bailiffs etc. it is fitting that this should concern Scotland.

Dundee's Baths.

Dundee, with a population considerably smaller than Kowloon, claims to have one of the finest public bathing institutions in Europe. And to state aid is received towards the cost. A description of the baths, by Mr. Barry Cutbill, the Manager of the Baths Department of the Dundee Corporation, shows that there are three swimming ponds in the building, 10 private baths, Turkish baths, foam baths, brine baths, oxygen and CO₂ baths, violet and ultraviolet light baths. The water in the swimming ponds is salt water pumped from the River Tay, filtered and heated to 72° F. In the summer months the ponds are cleaned out and refilled daily. Children up to 14 years of age may have a private bath for a penny, soap and towel included.

Last year 216,000 persons used the Central Baths, the revenue being £4,500. At the Municipality's district baths at Loches the bath purification plant changes the water in the swimming pond every 2 hours and, in addition, sterilizes it with chloramine so that the water is actually fit for drinking.

This is a magnificent example of Municipal enterprise. Would such a scheme—adapted to local conditions—be practicable under a Municipal Council in Kowloon?

Possibly not. In fact, if ever it has its own Municipal Council, it is conceivable that Kowloon will be less well governed than it is to-day but the Kowloon resident will greatly benefit from his new sense of responsibility. He will be able to throw out his chest and say "Now I am a real citizen."

Mr. Shenton's Views.

The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton pointed out that with more people making their homes in this Colony, and consequently taking a greater interest in local government, the future demand by permanent residents for a larger share in the administration of the Colony's affairs had been foreseen in the operation of various advisory com-

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NAUTILUS IN PORT.

REACHES BASE IN SPITZBERGEN.

Oslo, Sept. 8. The submarine Nautilus, which had caused some anxiety last week owing to long silence, but subsequently got into radio communication with a shore station, arrived at Longyear City, Spitzbergen, at 1 p.m. to-day. — *Reuter*.

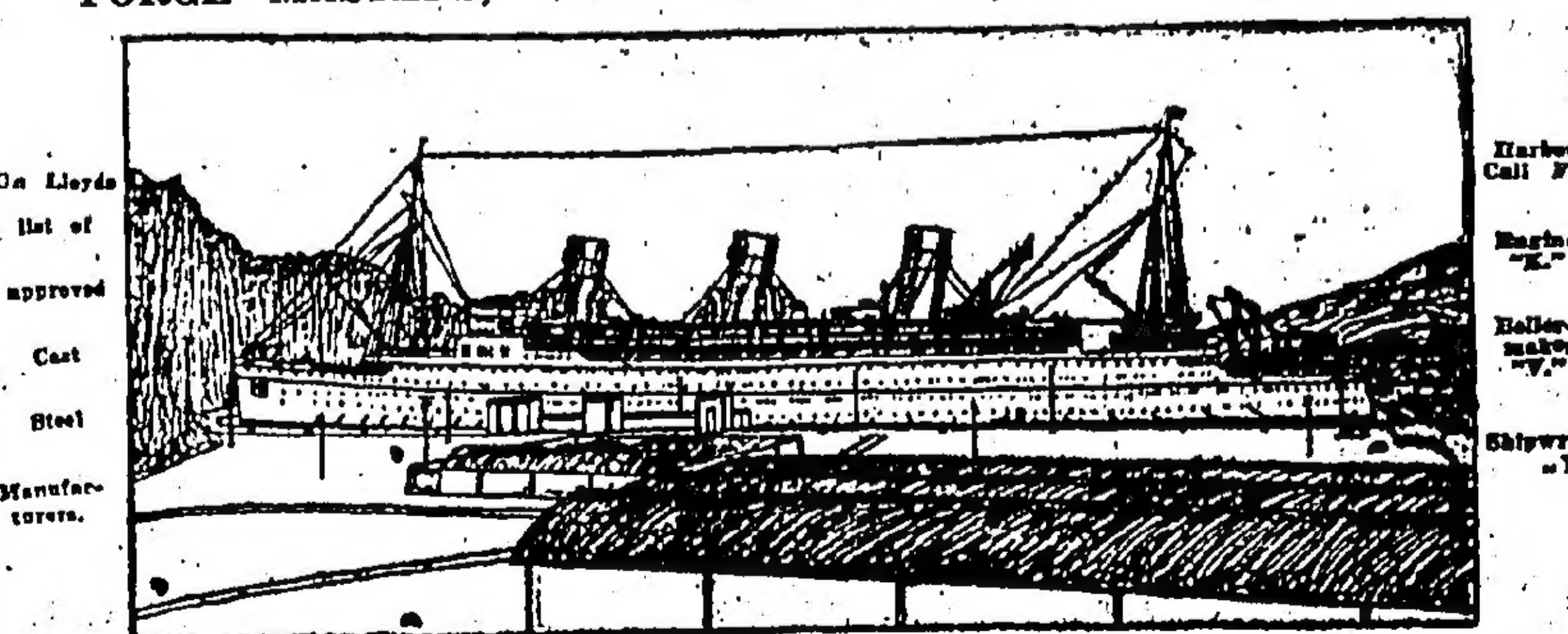
He said it was obvious that any rapid revolutionary change was most undesirable and suggested a transition stage by a system of committees, commencing with the advisory stage and, eventually, leading up to the executive stage.

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MEXICO AND CHINA.

MR. EUGENE CHEN ISSUES PROTEST.

Canton, Sept. 8.
Mr. Eugene Chen last week

cabled a protest to Mexico for expelling Chinese, and denounces the expulsion as barbarism with no parallel in modern times. Mexico, he says, abuses her State power and lacks restraint.

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AMERICAN FLIERS ARRESTED.

CANTON GOVERNMENT CLAIM.

G\$100,000 AT STAKE.

Mr. Winston "Bert" Hall and Mr. Floyd Schumacher, two aviators well known in the Far East, have had warrants served upon them in San Francisco, charging them with having attempted to flee from a civil action brought by the Canton Government of China to recover G\$100,000.

Allegedly, the G\$100,000 which the Cantonese authorities are seeking to recover from Messrs. Hall and Schumacher was paid by Mr. Julian Liang, a commissioner of aviation in the Canton Government.

It is understood that after the Canton Government was established in China opposing the Nanking regime Mr. Hall visited Canton. He and Mr. Schumacher are now charged with having represented themselves as representing American aeroplane manufacturers. As a result the Canton authorities entered into a contract with Mr. Hall to purchase American aeroplanes for the Canton Government.

The Cantonese now allege that G\$100,000 was paid to Mr. Hall and that no planes were forthcoming. Accordingly, suit was filed against Mr. Hall and Mr. Schumacher to recover the money. To avoid the suit, it is said, Mr. Hall and Mr. Schumacher fled from Los Angeles, only to arrive in San Francisco, and be presented with warrants.

Of the G\$100,000 allegedly paid to Mr. Hall by the Canton Government authorities G\$78,000 was deposited in Los Angeles. It has been attached.

Men With Fine Records.

Messrs. "Bert" Hall and Floyd Schumacher are well known in aviation circles throughout China. Both are expert aviators. Mr. Hall has a distinguished war record having been a member of the famous Lafayette Escadrille. He is an aviation pioneer and once served in an advisory capacity on aviation matters to the Nanking Government.

Shortly after the founding of the Canton Government it was known that Mr. Hall was in Canton. He was reported to have been active in helping organize the Canton Air Service under the leadership of General Chang Hui-chang, its chief.

Several weeks ago Mr. Hall passed through Shanghai but he did not leave his ship. It was rumoured at the time that he was proceeding to Japan.

NAVAL REVOLT IN CHILE.

SIX WARSHIPS ARE BADLY DAMAGED.

New York, Sept. 8. Latest cables indicate that the revolt in Chile is practically at an end, though fighting still continues in some places, notably at Talcahuano, where loyal forces stormed the last of the forts in the hands of the mutineers.

The rebel destroyer, Piberos, repeatedly struck by shore batteries capitulated in a sinking condition, and the battle cruiser, Captain Pratt, has been severely damaged.

The decision seems to have been due, firstly, to the mutineers failing to take advantage of their initial success and keeping to the passive defensive, and secondly to the lack of any sign of tactical leadership in action.

The bombardment of the rebel fleet in Coquimbo harbour, lasted 20 minutes in the course of which 6 warships were severely damaged, casualties among the crews being considerable. Five warships, including two submarines then hoisted the white flag. The rebels shot down one Government three-motored plane.

ALFONSO'S AUNT PASSES AWAY.

AMBITIONS FOR HER SON.

Budapest, Sept. 8. The Archduchess Isabella, aunt of ex-king Alfonso and wife of Archduke Fredie, who in pre-war times was reputed the richest man in the whole of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy, not even excepting the Emperor Franz Joseph himself, has died.

The deceased had for some years obstinately pursued an ambitious scheme for placing her son the Archduke Albert on the Hungarian throne, but the Archduke himself thwarted the plan by marrying a Hungarian diplomat and taking the oath of allegiance to the ex-Empress Zita.

CHINESE SEAMEN'S BOYCOTT.

WON'T SERVE JAPANESE STEAMERS.

Chungking, Sept. 9. Chinese seamen here announced that they will boycott Japanese steamers and will refuse employment on such vessels.

The boycott is said to be part of the movement begun in Shanghai and Nanking following the recent massacres of Chinese in Korea.—Reuska.

BIG SCORES: NO RESULTS.

A. P. CHAPMAN'S FIRST CENTURY.

REPRESENTATIVE CRICKET.

London, Sept. 8. Easy wickets and the interruptions of play by rain led to big scores and no results in the representative cricket matches commenced on Saturday.

At Scarborough, the Players scored 414 runs for 6 wickets declared, the Gentlemen replying with 210. In the closing stages, the Players made 27 for 0 wicket. The match was distinguished by another brilliant partnership between Jack Hobbs and Herbert Sutcliffe. Sutcliffe missed his thirteenth century of the season by four runs. Hobbs obtained 144 before his dismissal.

At Folkestone, the New Zealanders were in opposition to an England XI and a drawn game with honours fairly even resulted.

The England XI batted first and hit up the useful total of 395 runs. The feature of the innings was a bright batting display by A. P. P. Chapman, who obtained his first century of the current season. He scored 114 before his dismissal. New Zealand replied with 349. Mr. L. Paine scoring 132. The second innings of "England" produced 121 for 1.—Reuter.

FLOOD RELIEF FUNDS.

NANKING APPROVES OF BIG LOAN.

Nanking, Sept. 9.

The issue of \$80,000,000 Government Treasury Bonds, in the form of a loan to be obtained from native banks and firms, has been sanctioned by the National Government State Council, which has decided that the first issue will take place some time this month, when bonds to the amount of \$50,000,000 will be issued. The remaining amount will be issued in December.

Part of the money will be used for the reconstruction of dams and dykes with a view to providing flood refugees with employment.

The Council has instructed the Executive Council and Finance Ministry to provide ample revenues for the security of the loan, which will be a purely domestic affair not connected with the Finance Ministers suggestion for a loan from U. S. bankers.—Reuska.

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